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# JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1869.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Vermont, the members of the House of Representatives convened in the State House, in Montpelier, on the second Thursday, being the fourteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

At ten o'clock in the forenoon, the Hon. George Nichols, Secretary of State, called the House to order, when

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Richard H. Morgan of Northfield.

The names of the members who had presented their credentials were called, whereupon it appeared that the following named members were present, who were duly sworn, and took their seats, to wit :

## ADDISON COUNTY.

Goshen.....	ALFRED H. KNAPP,
Granville.....	ELIAS L. JEWETT,
Hancock.....	HORATIO N. BULL,
Leicester.....	STEPHEN ALDEN,
Lincoln.....	HOWARD CLARK, 2d,
Orwell.....	CHAUNCEY H. CONKEY,
Shoreham.....	JULIUS N. NORTH,
Vergennes.....	GEORGE W. GRANDEY,
Waltham.....	HARRY EVERTS,
Whiting.....	ASAHEL H. HUBBARD.

## BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Rupert .....	JOHN FARRAR.
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## CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Barnet .....	ISAAC M. SMITH,
Burke .....	JULIUS A. HUMPHREY,
Groton .....	ALMON L. CLARK,
Hardwick .....	JOSEPH UNDERWOOD,
Kirby .....	JOSEPH NICKERSON,
Newark .....	MARSHALL W. STODDARD,
Peacham .....	ORMAN P. HOOKER,
Ryegate .....	JOHN BIGELOW,
Sheffield .....	ISAAC K. KENASTON,
St. Johnsbury .....	EMERSON HALL,
Stannard .....	HARVEY N. KINGSBURY,
Sutton .....	NAHUM K. CAMPBELL,
Walden .....	SAMUEL HARRINGTON,
Waterford .....	ABRAHAM R. ROSS,
Wheelock .....	GEORGE GIFFIN, JR.

## CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

Burlington .....	TORREY E. WALES,
Essex .....	ASA BRIGHAM,
Richmond .....	JOHN L. MASON,
St. George .....	JOHN V. S. ISHAM,
Underhill .....	PATRICK BARRETT.

## ESSEX COUNTY.

Brunswick .....	ANDREW J. TAYLOR,
Concord .....	CHARLES CHASE,
East Haven .....	A. S. HOWARD,
Granby .....	MARCUS S. REED,
Guildhall .....	EZRA S. FREEMAN,
Lunenburg .....	LUTHER A. NICHOLS,
Maidstone .....	No Election,
Victory .....	WILLARD KNEELAND.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Bakersfield .....	JOSIAH F. BRIGHAM,
Enosburgh .....	CALEB R. BREWER,
Fairfield .....	JAMES M. SOULE,
Montgomery .....	HEMAN HOPKINS, JR.,
Richford .....	WM. C. BROWN,
Swanton .....	HENRY A. BURT.

## LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Belvidere .....	LUTHER H. HURLBURT,
Cambridge .....	FARWELL WETHERBY,
Eden .....	EDWIN C. WHITE,
Elmore .....	DAVID COOK,
Hydepark .....	CARROL S. PAGE,
Johnson .....	ISAAC A. MANNING,

Stowe ..... VERNON M. SMITH,  
Waterville..... LYMAN W. HOLMES.

## ORANGE COUNTY.

Bradford..... ASA M. DICKEY,  
Braintree..... WILLIAM C. HOLMAN,  
Brookfield..... ANDREW S. ALLIS,  
Chelsea..... LYMAN G. HINCKLEY,  
Corinth..... FREDERICK P. EATON,  
Fairlee..... DAVID C. ABBOTT,  
Newbury..... JOHN BAILEY, JR.,  
Orange..... LYMAN JACKSON,  
Randolph..... NATHAN S. CLARK,  
Strafford..... CHESTER B. DOW,  
Thetford..... HARRY H. NILES,  
Topsham..... JOHN WILEY,  
Tunbridge..... AARON N. KING,  
West Fairlee..... EDWIN S. COOK,  
Williamstown..... No Election.

## ORLEANS COUNTY.

Charleston..... BENJ. F. D. CARPENTER,  
Coventry..... SETH F. COWLES,  
Derby..... EZRA F. DARLING,  
Glover..... GEORGE SEVERANCE,  
Greensboro..... ALBERT WORCESTER,  
Irasburgh..... GEORGE B. BREWSTER,  
Jay..... T. ABEL CHASE,  
Lowell..... HARRY B. PARKER,  
Morgan..... JOSIAH L. HAMBLET,  
Newport..... LEWIS H. BISBEE,  
Salem..... DAVID N. GIBB,  
Troy..... G. W. AIKEN,  
Westfield..... EDSON FARMAN,  
Westmore..... WILLIAM H. SILSBY.

## RUTLAND COUNTY.

Brandon..... SUMNER BRIGGS,  
Clarendon..... WILLIAM W. WALKER,  
Danby..... ISAAC J. NICHOLS,  
Fairhaven..... HORACE G. WOOD,  
Mendon..... EZRA EDSON,  
Middletown..... HOMER H. SOUTHWICK,  
Mount Tabor..... SILAS G. KING,  
Pittsfield..... CHARLES W. BRIGHAM,  
Pittsford..... DANIEL P. PEABODY,  
Poultney..... BARNES FRISBIE,  
Rutland..... CHARLES H. JOYCE,  
Tinnmouth..... LEWIS COBB,  
West Haven..... RODNEY C. ABELL.



## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Berlin .....	JOSEPH W. WHEELLOCK,
Calais .....	IRA A. MORSE,
East Montpelier .....	JAMES A. COBURN,
Fayston .....	GEORGE O. BOYCE,
Marshfield .....	GEORGE WOOSTER,
Middlesex .....	CHARLES B. HOLDEN,
Montpelier .....	JAMES R. LANGDON,
Moretown .....	BENJAMIN A. HOLMES,
Northfield .....	GEORGE B. WARNER,
Plainfield .....	CHANNING HAZELTINE,
Waitsfield .....	HIRAM CARLETON,
Warren .....	JAMES CARDELL,
Waterbury .....	FRANK E. ORMSBY,
Woodbury .....	NATH'L C. MCKNIGHT,
Worcester .....	PHINEAS A. KEMP.

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

Athens .....	GEORGE N. OBER,
Brookline .....	ERASTUS WHITNEY,
Dover .....	JOEL LYMAN,
Grafton .....	FRANCIS PHELPS,
Halifax .....	ALPHEUS H. STONE,
Londonderry .....	HENRY A. WALKER,
Marlboro .....	WILLIAM W. LYNDE,
Newfane .....	EUGENE P. WHEELER,
Putney .....	SAMUEL E. WHEAT,
Townshend .....	HENRY SALISBURY,
Vernon .....	WILLIAM JOHNSON,
Westminster .....	GEORGE A. GOODELL,
Whitingham .....	LUCIUS P. MOWRY,
Wilmington .....	OSCAR E. BUTTERFIELD.

## WINDSOR COUNTY.

Barnard .....	JOHN H. GAMBELL,
Cavendish .....	HORATIO S. PIERCE,
Hartford .....	NOAH B. SAFFORD,
Hartland .....	OLIVER SMITH,
Norwich .....	EBENEZER B. BROWN,
Plymouth .....	CHARLES A. SCOTT,
Pomfret .....	JOSEPH H. PRATT,
Rochester .....	CHARLES MORGAN,
Weathersfield .....	GEORGE BARRETT,
West Windsor .....	EUGENE H. SPAULDING,
Windsor .....	JONA. B. FARNSWORTH,
Woodstock .....	LORENZO RICHMOND.

The following named gentlemen were severally admitted to take their seats in the House, without producing their credentials, to wit:

On motion by Mr. Abell, Mr. James K. Foster, as the representative of the town of Sudbury;

On motion by Mr. Frisbie, Mr. Fayette Barney, as the representative of the town of Castleton;

On motion by Mr. Brigham of Pittsfield, Mr. John Johnson, as the representative of the town of Sherburne;

Which members so admitted were duly sworn.

The Secretary of State directed the House to the election of Speaker for the year ensuing, and requested that ballots be prepared and deposited for such persons as members would elect to that office.

Pending which proceeding, Mr. Wood moved that the House adjourn to meet at ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Which motion was unanimously agreed to, and at ten o'clock and forty-five minutes, the House was declared adjourned.

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## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1869.

The House was called to order at ten o'clock, by the Secretary of State.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Richard H. Morgan.

Journal of Thursday read and approved.

The roll of members who had presented their credentials since yesterday, was called, and such members were duly sworn and admitted to their seats, to wit:

### ADDISON COUNTY.

Addison .....	CYRUS W. STRONG,
Bridport .....	JOHN O. HAMILTON
Bristol .....	JONATHAN B. DIKE,
Cornwall .....	JULIUS B. BENEDICT,
Ferrisburgh .....	J. WARREN BARNES,
Middlebury .....	CALVIN HILL,
New Haven .....	JABEZ W. LANGDON,
Ripton .....	HENRY B. RIPLEY,
Salisbury .....	ROYAL D. HEDDEN,
Weybridge .....	LOYAL HUNTINGTON.

## BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Bennington.....	GEORGE BENTON,
Dorset.....	WILLIAM H. BEBEE,
Landgrove.....	EPHRAIM MOORE,
Peru.....	JOSEPH P. LONG,
Pownal.....	PLINY WRIGHT,
Stamford.....	JAMES M. PEAK,
Woodford.....	AMOS ALDRICH.

## CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Danville.....	ABIAL C. PALMER.
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## GHITTENDEN COUNTY.

Bolton.....	SAUL BISHOP,
Charlotte.....	ALANSON EDGERTON,
Colchester.....	ALONZO J. STEVENS,
Hinesburgh.....	FREDERICK H. BALDWIN,
Huntington.....	PHILEMON REMINGTON,
Shelburne.....	WALTER A. WEED,
South Burlington.....	THADDEUS F. STUART.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Fairfax.....	GEORGE A. BALLARD,
Fletcher.....	JOHN KINSLEY,
Georgia.....	JOSEPH PURMORT,
St. Albans.....	GEORGE G. HUNT.

## GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Grand Isle.....	STEPHEN P. GORDON,
North Hero.....	FRED. PARKS,
South Hero.....	GEORGE B. KEELER.

## LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Morristown.....	PHILIP K. GLEED.
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## ORANGE COUNTY.

Washington.....	WILLIAM P. DOWNING.
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## ORLEANS COUNTY.

Albany.....	TIMOTHY C. MILES,
Barton.....	WILLIAM W. GROUT,
Craftsbury.....	CHARLES CHAMBERLIN.

RUTLAND COUNTY.

Chittenden .....	CHARLES HEWETT,
Hubbardton .....	ANSEL L. HILL,
Ira .....	LEONARD W. DAY,
Mount Holly .....	JOHN P. HOSKISON,
Pawlet .....	JEROME B. BROMLEY,
Wells .....	MARCUS D. GROVER.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Barre .....	WILLIAM E. WHITCOMB,
Duxbury .....	JESSE J. RIDLEY,
Roxbury .....	SAMUEL G. STANTON.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

Dummerston .....	STEPHEN L. DUTTON,
Rockingham .....	JOSIAH B. DIVOLL,
Windham .....	ASAHEL UPHAM.

WINDSOR COUNTY.

Andover .....	FREDERICK A. WAY,
Baltimore .....	ALBIN L. THOMPSON,
Bethel .....	AUGUSTUS M. MARSH,
Bridgewater .....	ALPHEUS B. SIMONS,
Chester .....	MERRICK WENTWORTH,
Royalton .....	WILLIAM GOFF,
Sharon .....	JAMES PARKER,
Springfield .....	JAMES E. WHITE,
Weston .....	JOSEPH C. FENN.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Henry B. Williams, the member elect from the town of Monkton, was admitted to a seat in the House without producing his credentials, and was duly sworn.

Mr. Elisha B. Hurd presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Sandgate, which being in due form, he was sworn and admitted to his seat in the House.

The Secretary of State directed the House to the election of Speaker for the year ensuing, and requested the members to prepare and deposit ballots for such person as they would elect to that office.

Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Aiken and Mr. Hinckley were appointed tellers.

The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

GEORGE W. GRANDEY,

the representative of the city of Vergennes, had received a majority of the votes cast, and he was declared elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the year ensuing.

The Secretary of State designated Mr. Langdon of Montpelier, and Mr. Joyce, to wait on the Speaker elect, inform him of his election, and conduct him to the chair.

The committee performed the duty assigned them, whereupon the Speaker was duly sworn, and addressed the House as follows :

*Gentlemen of the House of Representatives :*

For your kind consideration in conferring on me this distinguished honor, I beg you to accept the tender of my warmest thanks. I wish it were in my power to express to you fully, the deep and grateful sensibility awakened in my heart, by this generous and flattering tribute of your good opinion and your good will. Although not without some experience in the discharge of the duties of this Chair, yet I trust none of you will doubt me when I confess, that *that* experience has failed to relieve me from a nervous and embarrassing consciousness of my liability to errors and mistakes, in spite of my most cautious endeavors to perform those duties with parliamentary correctness and propriety. But, a recollection of that brief experience, happily assures me that in my efforts to execute faithfully and impartially this delicate and difficult trust, I can always safely rely on the kind indulgence and the sustaining sympathy of the House, and may rest in perfect confidence that its benign charity never faileth, but patiently endureth and forgiveth all things, and that the broad mantle of its brotherly kindness is ever ready to cover a multitude of errors. And, gentlemen, in entering upon our duties as legislators, and endeavoring to fulfil the high and sacred obligations of that oath we have just taken, to act "as the faithful and honest representatives and guardians of the people," I pledge you my diligent and obedient service, and a careful impartially and fidelity in the administration of my peculiar duties as your presiding officer.

It shall be my highest aim, gentlemen, to attain the enviable success of fulfilling your expectations and deserving and securing the verdict of your approval.

And I trust it will be the high and conscientious purpose of us all, so to perform our responsible duties, as lawmakers, that whatever measures we may adopt, and whatever laws we may enact, will not only meet the intelligent sanction of our constituents, but will also be in accordance with that *higher law*, "whose seat is the bosom of God, and whose voice is the harmony of the world."

The Speaker directed the House to the election of Clerk for the year ensuing, and requested that ballots be prepared and deposited for that purpose.

Mr. Wood, Mr. Gleed and Mr. Aldrich were appointed tellers.

The ballots having been taken and counted, it appeared that

DAVID M. CAMP,

of Newport, had received a majority of the votes cast, and was declared duly elected Clerk of the House of Representatives for the year ensuing. Presenting himself at the bar of the House, he was duly sworn, and entered upon the duties of his office.

On motion of Mr. Wheat, Austin P. Graham was admitted to a seat in the House, as a representative of the town of Winhall, without producing his credentials, and he was duly sworn.

Mr. Frisbie offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That each member of the House forward immediately to the Clerk, on a slip of paper prepared for that purpose, his name in full, town and county, number of seat, boarding-place with number of room, the name of the newspaper he elects to take during the session, with the designation of the place of delivery of the same ; to enable the Secretary of State to complete the Legislative Directory, and the Clerk to distribute the papers ordered ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Wheelock offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the House do now proceed to the election of a Chaplain for the present session ;

Which was read and adopted.

The House proceeded at once to the election of Chaplain, and the Speaker appointed Mr. Wales, Mr. Burt and Mr. Gleed, tellers.

The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

**REV. RICHARD MORGAN,**

of Northfield, had received a majority of the votes cast, and was declared duly elected Chaplain of the House of Representatives for the year ensuing.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials, which were in due form, to wit :

Mr. Rufus N. Hemenway, as the representative of the town of Ludlow ;

Mr. Andrew Jackson, as the representative of the town of Pantou ;

Who, appearing at the bar of the House, were duly sworn and admitted to their seats.

Mr. Wheelock offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk be hereby directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has completed its organization, and is ready on its part to proceed with the business of the session ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Grover introduced the following Resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to wait on his Excellency, the Governor, inform him of the organization of the House, and of its readiness to receive any communication from him ;

Which was read and adopted.

The Speaker appointed as such committee,

Mr. Grover,

“ Hunt,

“ Dickey.

Mr. Grover, from such committee, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that the Governor would soon make his communication to the House through his Secretary.

Mr. Boyce offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the rules of the House of Representatives for the last session be adopted as the rules of this House until otherwise ordered ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Pratt offered the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*

That the joint rules of the last session be the joint rules of the present session until others are adopted ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Abell, the House adjourned.

### AFTERNOON.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Burnham, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor, to deliver to the House of Representatives, a communication in writing, with an accompanying document.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 15, 1869. }

*To the Senate and House of Representatives :*

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the use of the General Assembly, the official copy of the proposed Fifteenth Article to the Constitution of the United States. This proposed Amendment so accords with the spirit and letter of our Constitution, and its principles have been so often affirmed by the action of the Fathers of our State, that your prompt action in ratifying it cannot but meet the approval of our people.

In retiring from the discharge of the duties to which the suffrages of the Electors have called me, permit me, through you, to express to the people of Vermont my heartfelt thanks for the considerate kindness with which my official acts have been received.

JOHN B. PAGE.

The Speaker also laid before the House a copy of a resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, as follows :

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Department of State. }

*To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting :*

I certify, that annexed is a true copy of a Concurrent Resolution of Congress, entitled " A resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States," the



original of which resolution, received to-day, is on file in this Department.

*In testimony whereof, I, WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State of the United States, have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the seal of the Department of State to be affixed.*

*Dated at the city of Washington, this twenty-seventh day of February, A. D. 1869, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the ninety-third.*

WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

[Concurrent Resolution received at Department of State, February 27, 1869.]

A RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled, (two-thirds of both houses concurring,)*

That the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of said Legislatures, shall be valid as part of the Constitution, namely:

ARTICLE XV.

SECTION 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or by any State, on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

SECTION 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

SCHUYLER COLFAX,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

B. F. WADE,

*President of the Senate, pro tempore.*

Attest,

EDW'D McPHERSON,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives.*

GEO. C. GORHAM,

*Secretary of Senate, U. S.*

Which was referred to the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the President of the Senate, as follows:

STATE OF VERMONT,

Senate Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 15, 1869. }

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR: I have the honor to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have organized by the election of Henry Clark of Rutland, as Secretary, and Mason B. Carpenter of Barre, as Assistant Secretary.

STEPHEN THOMAS,

*President of the Senate.*

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate has assembled, and have organized, and are ready on their part to proceed with the business of the session.

Mr. George P. Foster presented his credentials in due form as the representative of the town of Wolcott, was duly sworn, and admitted to his seat in the House.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have, on their part, adopted a joint resolution relating to the adoption of joint rules, in which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the joint rules of the last session be the joint rules of the present session until others are adopted;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

The Speaker nominated and the House appointed the following named members to constitute, on the part of the House, the committee to canvass the votes of the freemen of the State for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer, for the year ensuing, to wit:

Addison County.....	Mr. Strong of Addison,
	“ Washburn of Starksboro,
	“ Benedict of Cornwall.
Bennington County.....	“ Benton of Bennington,
	“ Graham of Winhall,
	“ Aldrich of Woodford.

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Caledonia County.....	Mr. Humphrey of Burke,
	“ Ross of Waterford,
	“ Clark of Groton.
Chittenden County.....	“ Weed of Shelburne,
	“ Isham of St. George,
	“ Bishop of Bolton.
Essex County.....	“ Freeman of Guildhall,
	“ Nichols of Lunenburg,
	“ Taylor of Brunswick.
Franklin County.....	“ Burt of Swanton,
	“ Brown of Richford,
	“ Soule of Fairfield.
Grand Isle County.....	“ Gordon of Grand Isle,
	“ Keeler of South Hero,
	“ Parks of North Hero.
Lamoille County.....	“ Smith of Stowe,
	“ Page of Hydepark,
	“ Holmes of Waterville.
Orange County.....	“ King of Tunbridge,
	“ Allis of Brookfield,
	“ Eaton of Corinth.
Orleans County.....	“ Miles of Albany,
	“ Severance of Glover,
	“ Boynton of Holland.
Rutland County.....	“ Southwick of Middletown,
	“ Peabody of Pittsford,
	“ Foster of Sudbury.
Washington County.....	“ Ormsby of Waterbury,
	“ Stanton of Roxbury,
	“ Wooster of Marshfield.
Windham County.....	“ Lynde of Marlboro,
	“ Phelps of Grafton,
	“ Goodell of Westminster.
Windsor County.....	“ Richmond of Woodstock,
	“ Pierce of Cavendish,
	“ Simons of Bridgewater.

Mr. Grout offered the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, to hear the report of the committee appointed to canvass the votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

The Speaker announced as the committee on the part of the House, under the Fourth Joint Rule:

Mr. Joyce of Rutland,  
 " Safford of Hartford,  
 " Dickey of Bradford.

On motion of Mr. Frisbie, the House adjourned at half past three o'clock.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1869.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read, corrected and approved.

The Speaker announced as members of the Committee on Joint Rules, on the part of the House,

Mr. Wales of Burlington,  
 " Hinckley of Chelsea.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate have appointed on their part as committee to canvass votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer, the following named Senators:

Addison County . . . .	Mr. Jones,
Bennington County . . . .	" Orvis,
Caledonia County . . . .	" Hall,
Chittenden County . . . .	" Halbert,
Essex County . . . . .	" Dale,
Franklin County . . . . .	" Royce,
Lamoille County . . . . .	" Camp,
Orange County . . . . .	" Hutchinson,
Orleans County . . . . .	" Elkins,
Rutland County . . . . .	" Copeland,
Washington County . . . .	" Heath,
Windham County . . . . .	" Goodell,
Windsor County . . . . .	" Collamer.

Mr. Gardner C. Boynton presented his credentials, as representative for the town of Holland, which being in due form, he was sworn and admitted to his seat.

The Speaker appointed Mr. Pierce of Cavendish, a member of the committee to canvass the votes for State officers, in place of Mr. Gay of Stockbridge, who was absent.

The committee then appeared at the bar of the House, and were duly sworn.

Mr. Frisbie asked that the committee to canvass votes for State officers have leave to sit during the session of the House ;

Which request was granted.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials, which were in due form, to wit :

Mr. Rollin W. Holbrook, as the representative of the town of Lemington ;

Mr. Gardner Merrill, as the representative of the town of Bloomfield ;

Mr. George W. Huntoon, as the representative of the town of Canaan ;

Mr. Henry R. Jones, as the representative of the town of Benson ;

Who, appearing at the bar of the House, were duly sworn and admitted to take their seats in the House.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered a joint resolution from the House, providing for a Joint Assembly, and have adopted the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment, in the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested:

The Senate have, on their part, appointed as committee under the Fourth Joint Rule,

Mr. Royce of Franklin,

“ Heath of Washington,

“ Pingry of Windsor.

The House considered Senate proposal of amendment to Joint Resolution providing for Joint Assembly to hear report of committee appointed to canvass the votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer.

The Senate propose to the House to amend the resolution by striking out the words “ to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “ this afternoon at 2½ o'clock ;”

Which proposal of amendment was agreed to.

The Speaker nominated, and the House appointed, the following named members to constitute the committee, on the part of the House, to canvass votes for county officers and judges of probate, who were duly sworn, to wit :

Addison County.....	Mr. Barnes of Ferrisburgh, “ North of Shoreham, “ Clark of Lincoln.
Bennington County.....	“ Shuffleton of Sunderland, “ Moore of Landgrove, “ Peak of Stamford.
Caledonia County .....	“ Hall of St. Johnsbury, “ Bigelow of Ryegate, “ Hooker of Peacham.
Chittenden County.....	“ Baldwin of Hinesburgh, “ Rice of Westford, “ Barrett of Underhill.
Essex County.....	“ Merrill of Bloomfield, “ Chase of Concord, “ Read of Granby.
Franklin County .....	“ Purmort of Georgia, “ Brigham of Bakersfield, “ Hopkins of Montgomery.
Grand Isle County .....	“ Gordon of Grand Isle, “ Parks of North Hero, “ Keeler of South Hero.
Lamoille County .....	“ Wetherby of Cambridge, “ Manning of Johnson, “ White of Eden.
Orange County.....	“ Dow of Strafford, “ Bailey of Newbury, “ Abbott of Fairlee.
Orleans County .....	“ Cowles of Coventry, “ Aiken of Troy, “ Gibb of Salem.
Rutland County.....	“ Peabody of Pittsfield, “ Cobb of Tinmouth, “ Hewett of Chittenden.
Washington County.....	“ Coburn of E. Montpelier, “ Holmes of Moretown, “ Paine of Cabot.
Windham County.....	“ Upham of Windham, “ Wheat of Putney, “ Whitney of Brookline.

Windsor County . . . . . Mr. Pratt of Pomfret,  
" Smith of Hartland,  
" Scott of Plymouth.

The Speaker announced the appointment, agreeably to law, of the following named persons as Reporters of the House of Representatives, to wit:

Andrew C. Brown of Montpelier,  
Charles F. Dodge " "

The Clerk appointed for his Assistants for the year ensuing,

Henry N. Newell of Shelburne,  
Edwin T. White of Woodstock,  
Calvin J. B. Harris of Danville.

On motion of Mr. Hinckley, the House adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have, on their part, adopted joint resolutions granting the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives to the Vermont Historical Society and Vermont Colonization Society.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be tendered to the Vermont Historical Society, for their annual meeting, on Tuesday evening, October 19, 1869;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be tendered to the Vermont Colonization Society, for its semi-centennial anniversary, on Thursday evening, October 21, 1869;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Baldwin offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk be directed to furnish each member and officer of the House with one daily newspaper, printed in the State, to be selected by the members and officers ;

Which was read and adopted.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

At three o'clock, the Governor elect appeared at the bar of the House, received the oaths of office, and delivered his inaugural message, as follows :

*Gentlemen of the Senate*

*and House of Representatives :*

Having been elected to the office of Chief Magistrate of this State, with a most earnest appreciation of the great responsibility, which the action of the people has imposed upon me, I have met with you, as required by the Constitution, to give to you such information and assistance, as may be in my power and be required by you to enable you faithfully to guard the interests of the Commonwealth, provide for the support of the government, and consider and decide upon such alterations and improvements, as you may deem necessary, of its laws and its policy,—trusting that in the performance of my duties I may enjoy your confidence, and, if need be, have the benefit of your kind forbearance, but above all, that we may each be gifted with that wisdom, which cometh only from God, without whose approval and assistance States, as well as individuals, are powerless for good, and whose acknowledgment and worship have been made by our fathers the corner stone of our Republic.

During the past year peace has prevailed throughout the land, contrasting most beautifully and significantly with the stormy excitement of the years of warfare for our National existence, through which we have so recently passed. The earth has yielded bountiful crops to its cultivators. No general epidemic, or disease, has prevailed within our borders. And business of all kinds has progressed without serious reverse, or financial disaster. For all which grateful thanks are due and should be reverently returned to the Divine Providence, from whence all blessings flow.



## FINANCES.

The details of the present financial condition of the State and of the receipts and disbursements for the year are shown by the Reports of the Treasurer and of the Auditor of Accounts, which will be laid before you. The result may be briefly stated.

The total funded debt of the State at the present time is one million seventy-five thousand dollars, (\$1,075,000.00,)—which sum, however, includes twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars, (\$27,500.00,) of bonds due in 1876 and 1878, which have been purchased by the Treasurer and have not been cancelled, but are held by him with a view of exchanging them, if found expedient, for bonds due in 1871. The excess of current liabilities over current resources is twenty-one thousand one hundred and eight dollars and forty-eight cents, (\$21,108.48.) The present apparent total liability of the State is therefore one million ninety-six thousand one hundred and eight dollars and forty-eight cents, (\$1,096,108.48.) But against this is to be offset the present amount of the sinking fund, which is seventy-five thousand six hundred and ninety-four dollars and two cents, (\$75,694.02,) and twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars, (\$27,500.00) of bonds held by the Treasurer as before stated,—making the net liability not provided for nine hundred and ninety-two thousand nine hundred and fourteen dollars and forty-six cents, (\$992,914.46.) For all purposes, except that of exchange, these bonds held by the Treasurer may be treated as paid in determining the present financial condition of the State.

At the commencement of the year the funded debt was one million two hundred and twenty-seven thousand dollars, (\$1,227,000.00.) The excess of current resources over current liabilities was seventeen thousand four hundred and five dollars and forty-nine cents, (\$17,405.49.) Leaving the net liabilities at that time one million two hundred and nine thousand five hundred and ninety-four dollars and fifty-one cents, (\$1,209,594.51.) But the amount of the sinking fund then on hand, which was fifty-nine thousand six hundred and thirty-seven dollars and seventy-one cents, (\$59,637.71,) was applicable in reduction of that sum,—leaving the net liabilities of the State, not then provided for, one million one hundred and forty-nine thousand nine hundred and fifty-six dollars and eighty cents, (\$1,149,956.80.)

The funded debt has been reduced during the year, one

hundred and seventy-nine thousand five hundred dollars, (\$179,500.00)—which sum includes the bonds purchased, but not cancelled; and the net reduction of the total liability of the State during the year, treating those bonds as paid, has been one hundred and fifty-seven thousand forty-two dollars and thirty-four cents, (\$157,042.34.)

At the close of the war in 1865 the funded debt was one million six hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$1,650,000.00;) and the total liabilities of the State were one million eight hundred and thirty-four thousand one hundred and sixty-three dollars and ninety-six cents, (\$1,834,163.96.) During the four years which have elapsed since that time the funded debt has been reduced six hundred and two thousand five hundred dollars, (\$602,500.00;) and the total liabilities not provided for, have been reduced eight hundred and forty-one thousand two hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty cents, (\$841,259.50.)

The bonds of the State to the amount of four hundred and eighty thousand dollars, (\$480,000.00,) fall due June 1, 1871; of which four hundred and four thousand three hundred and five dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$404,305.98) remain unprovided for; and provision should be made for their prompt payment at maturity. As the Auditor of Accounts gives no very certain assurance that any considerable amount will be received within that time from the General Government in farther payment of the claim of the State against the United States, this will involve the necessity of increasing the present year and the next year the amount appropriated to the sinking fund. The amount appropriated for that purpose in 1868 was one hundred thousand dollars, (\$100,000.00;) but the amount actually applied to that fund from the tax levied in 1868 has been but sixty thousand dollars, (\$60,000.00.) And if the excess of the current expenses over the current resources,—twenty-one thousand one hundred and eight dollars and forty-eight cents, (\$21,108.48,)—had been paid from the avails of the tax, it would have left applicable to the sinking fund from that source but thirty-eight thousand eight hundred and ninety-one dollars and fifty-two cents, (\$38,891.52,) instead of one hundred thousand dollars, (\$100,000.00,) as intended. This is due to the fact, that the amount required to be paid during the year for the expenses of the State, allotment claims, claims for the State pay due to soldiers in the late war, and other matters, other than payment of interest on bonds and loans, has largely exceeded the amount estimated at the commence-

ment of the year, upon which estimate the amount of the tax levied in 1868 was based.

It is obvious, that for the purpose of meeting the current expenses of the present year, and such claims against the State as are due and outstanding, and making the necessary provision for the redemption of the bonds due in 1871, a larger tax must be imposed than was levied in 1868,—the necessary amount of which will be reduced by just so much as the aggregate amount of the current expenses for the year can be reduced. It becomes, therefore, the peremptory duty, as it undoubtedly will be the pleasure, of the General Assembly, and of every officer of the State, to provide for and practice the strictest economy in all matters affecting the finances of the State.

#### COMMON SCHOOLS.

I commend to your care the educational interests of the State,—the common schools, the academies and the colleges. At the foundation of these interests is the principle, recognized even previous to the adoption of the present Constitution of the State, that the State is under obligation to provide free schools for the education of all its children; and from this follows naturally the requirement, that the schools thus provided shall be the best of their kind, which can be furnished for the amount of money expended, and that those, for whose benefit they are furnished, shall partake of their advantages. And in enlarging and improving the standard of education in the common schools, you inevitably advance in a corresponding degree the standard and value of the higher institutions of learning.

The great number of small school districts in the State, and the low grade of attainment which in too many cases is required of teachers by those who are charged with the duty of employing them, are serious obstacles to the full development of the improvement of which the school system is susceptible. In a small district, containing but few families, as compared with a large district containing many families, it is obvious, that one of two results must follow:—if good teachers are employed, who can command high wages, the expense for each scholar must be greatly increased above the average of the larger districts; and if the expense for each scholar is kept within the average, it will be by the employment of poor teachers, who can only command and are willing to serve for low wages. For remedying this ob-

jection the Board of Education recommend, that all school districts be abolished, and that the support and supervision of the schools be committed directly to the towns; and I commend to your careful consideration their Report, together with the Report of the Secretary of the Board, stating in detail the reasons for the recommendation,—not doubting that you will act wisely and with all discretion in a matter of so grave importance.

The establishment and continuance of Normal Schools and Teachers' Institutes for the education of teachers is a great improvement upon the school system of former years, and their beneficial effect is already manifest in the advance of the standard of common school education. But the full measure of their benefit has probably not yet been attained. The Board of Education and their Secretary have made some suggestions in this respect, which are sufficiently important to justify deliberate examination of the subject and judicious action.

The expenditure for the support of schools each year is about five hundred thousand dollars; and this assumption and performance by the State of its duty to provide for the education of all its children imposes a corresponding obligation, that those, for whom this provision is made, shall avail themselves of its advantages. The State has as good right to require, for its own protection against anarchy and misrule, the results of ignorance and idleness, that the children shall be educated, as to require allegiance as the corresponding duty to the obligation of protection. Yet a very large number of the children in the State, both native and foreign born, do not attend any school; and the present law is insufficient to compel them to do so. I recommend, that more practical and stringent provision be made in this respect.

#### MILITIA.

The present condition of the Militia is shown by the Report of the Adjutant and Inspector General, which will be before you. A positive requirement, that the companies composing the several regiments shall be brought in competition with each other each year by regimental parade, would very greatly promote its drill, discipline, general efficiency, and consequent value for the purpose for which it is maintained, and would tend greatly to the completion of the organizations now authorized, by stimulating the formation, by

voluntary enlistment, of the additional companies required for that purpose.

#### ANNUAL REPORTS.

The remaining Annual Reports, to which I have not alluded, will be laid before you for your consideration. I have not yet had opportunity to give to them that careful examination which their importance requires. Should I find it necessary to do so, I will call your attention to them during your session.

#### LAW REGULATING RATE OF INTEREST.

There is one matter of existing legislation, which I regard as of sufficient importance in its present bearings to justify my calling to it your special attention. The certainty that an existing positive law can not be violated with impunity,—that transgression, if known, will surely be followed by punishment,—has as much influence in promoting respect for the law and preventing its violation, as the example of visible actual punishment. And the continued existence upon the statute book of a positive law, which has become so far obsolete as to be wholly disregarded and openly violated with entire impunity, has a tendency to weaken respect for all law. The law of this State prescribing the legal rate of interest for money loaned, and positively prohibiting the taking, either directly, or indirectly, of a greater rate of interest than the rate prescribed, is now in this condition. It is daily and openly violated by banks and by individuals, and its violation is entirely disregarded. It serves only as a check upon those, who are too conscientious to knowingly disregard any positive law, and operates as an inducement to them to send their capital abroad for investment, instead of investing it in the State for the promotion of its industrial, manufacturing and mechanical interests. It is thus a direct element of moral and practical mischief. The only remedy for its enforcement is given to those, who consent to borrow money at a rate exceeding the lawful rate, and involves the necessity of their bringing suit to recover back money, which they have paid in pursuance of their voluntary agreement. It thus operates mischievously both ways. If allowed to be violated with impunity, it weakens respect for all law; and a remedy for its violation can only be obtained by sanctioning the violation of the promise, in reliance upon which the loan was effected.

I recommend, that the subject be carefully considered, and that the law be essentially modified, or ample provision made for its enforcement by the ordinary officers of the law, or by some person not a party to its violation,—and this without reference to any supposed interest of either borrower, or lender, but only for the promotion of a sound morality and respect for law. If the State is willing, that there shall be no power to enforce a penalty for a violation of the positive prohibition, if the parties agree that it shall not be enforced,—that if both are assenting parties to the violation without punishment, then such violation is legitimate and can not be punished,—it is better to legalize such agreement by positive legislation; and if the violation of the prohibition is contrary to the moral sense of the legislature, then effective provision should be made for the punishment of such violation.

#### DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES.

The people of this State are and must necessarily ever remain essentially an agricultural community, although the progress made in the development of the mineral resources of the State, the marble, slate and iron, found in almost inexhaustible quantities, has to a considerable degree modified the original character of the State in this respect. The result is, that large numbers of our young men, trained to depend for their livelihood upon the fruits of patient toil upon the farm, attracted by the rich soil, easy cultivation and large returns of the alluvial regions of the Western States, leave the State yearly, thereby preventing any considerable increase of our population, and enriching the States, to which they remove, with intelligent citizens bred in the law abiding and God fearing habits of New England.

Every new branch of industry, which is introduced into the State, has a tendency to modify and control this difficulty, with which, as a State, we now have to contend, and at the same time by developing and improving the resources of the State adds to its capital and by enlarging the basis decreases the rate of taxation, and directly benefits the agriculturists of the State, by increasing the number of home consumers of agricultural products. Every considerable stream in the State affords water power in numerous places, which has not yet been put to use, and large amounts of lumber, iron, and other material are sent every year from the State to be manufactured in other States and returned in their manufactured

form to be consumed in this State,—thus paying to other communities the profits upon the manufacture, which might and should be enjoyed by our own citizens.

It is worthy of serious consideration, whether some means may not be devised, by which the resources of the State may be developed and put to use within our own limits,—whether by wise and judicious encouragement of the various forms of manufacturing and mechanical industry, capital may not be induced to flow into the State for investment, and the capital within the State be retained for investment at home. Possibly a modification of the interest laws to a certain extent, or the absolute exemption from taxation, for a limited time, of capital invested in new manufacturing or mechanical establishments, instead of leaving it, as at present, to the uncertain action of towns, might have a tendency to promote this result; and other modes of accomplishing the purpose may suggest themselves to the wisdom of the legislature. It is a subject deserving of careful consideration, and the example set by other States may be studied to good purpose.

#### LEGISLATION.

Legislative law, like judicial law, derives its chief element of value from its stability. A judicial body, which should annually modify, or overrule, its previous decisions, would be regarded as unsettling the course of business and would cease to command respect. Every reason, which requires that the course of judicial decisions should only be varied for the most cogent reasons, which has made "*stare decisis*" one of the maxims of the law, applies with equal force to general legislative enactments involving the rights and relations of persons and of communities. Yet it is well understood that while courts change their decisions, when once made, only with extreme reluctance and as the result of the most deliberate examination, legislative bodies feel themselves governed by no such rule, but yearly repeal, modify and essentially change laws, both legislative and judicial, previously existing.

This constant change in the course of legislative enactments is fraught with mischief; for, so that a law be not positively mischievous, it is of full as much importance, that it be thoroughly and generally understood what the law is, as that it should be in all its details the most perfect system that can be devised. A wise conservatism of the laws as they exist, so far as is consistent with a due regard to the pro-

gress of the age and the changing course of business relations, would go far to make the general body of the law better understood and respected, to place upon a firm foundation the interests of the State and of individuals, and at the same time be promotive of sound economy by diminishing the amount of business transacted by the General Assembly, and thus shortening the length of its sessions.

Much time is consumed annually in the consideration and enactment of bills for the formation of private corporations. By chapters eighty-six and ninety of the General Statutes provision is made for the voluntary association of individuals, with full corporate powers, for the various purposes therein enumerated, and a carefully prepared and well guarded system provided for their control and management. Yet of the whole number of charters for private corporations, enacted in the years 1864 to 1868, inclusive, sixty *per cent.* are for corporations which might equally as well have been formed under the general laws without coming before and consuming the time of the General Assembly.

Due regard to a wise economy in the expenses of the State requires, that your session should be limited to the shortest time which may be consistent with a proper transaction of the business which may come before you. A judicious disinclination, decisively manifested, to adopt any proposed change of existing laws, or any general legislation for special cases, without the clearest conviction of their utility, and a requirement, that all persons desirous of being incorporated for any of the purposes, for which provision for association with corporate powers is made by the general laws, should form their association under those laws, or that a bill for such purpose should only be entertained upon prepayment to the Treasurer of a specified sum of money for the use of the State, would have great effect in producing this most desirable result by diminishing to a considerable extent the amount of business which otherwise may claim your attention.

#### FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT.

Among the business, which should earliest receive your attention, is the consideration of the proposed Fifteenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, the adoption of which by the requisite number of States will, for the first time in the history of the Nation, give reality in fact to the truth enunciated in the Declaration of Independence, and incorporated into the Constitution of Vermont,



that "all men are created equal," and will preserve inviolate the public faith pledged to the National freedmen. The sense of the people of Vermont upon this subject has been too often expressed by themselves through the ballot box and by the action of their representatives in General Assembly, to leave the question of its speedy adoption by you for a moment in doubt, or even open to debate. It is a measure demanded alike by justice, by good faith, and by common humanity.

Trusting that without the necessity of a protracted session, you may be able to transact wisely all necessary business claiming your attention, I leave with you the care of the interests of the State and of its citizens, again invoking for your deliberations and your action the divine guidance of an overruling Providence.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

MONTPELIER, October 16, 1869.

Mr. Hoskison offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the House be instructed to procure the printing of one thousand copies of the Governor's message for the use of the House ;

Which was read and adopted.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,  
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, October 16, 1869. }  
Hon. GEORGE W. GRANDEY,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR : I have the honor to inform the House of Representatives, that I have appointed John W. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

On motion of Mr. Pratt, at three o'clock and forty-five minutes, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of Saturday read and approved.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials, which were in due form, to wit:

Mr. Jonas N. Bartlett as the representative of the town of Lyndon;

Mr. Samuel R. Jenkins as the representative of the town of Brownington;

Mr. Sumner Curtis as the representative of the town of Somerset;

Mr. Charles I. Ladd as the representative of the town of Milton;

Mr. Oscar P. Rixford as the representative of the town of Highgate;

Mr. William Deming as the representative of the town of Sheldon;

Mr. Edward J. Reynolds as the representative of the town of Alburgh;

Who appearing at the bar of the House, were duly sworn and admitted to their seats.

Mr. Joyce offered the following resolution:

*Whereas*, the Congress of the United States on the 27th day of February, A. D. 1869, by Joint Resolution proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, an amendment to the Constitution of the United States in the words following, viz.:

#### ARTICLE XV. . .

SECTION 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

SECT. 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

*Therefore, Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*, That the said proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States be, and the same is hereby ratified by the Legislature of the State of Vermont;

Which was referred to the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule.

Mr. Baldwin offered the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the amendment proposed by Congress to the Constitution of the United States, be referred to a joint committee to consist of three Senators to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and five members of the House appointed by the Speaker ;

Which was read, and on motion of Mr. Hinckley  
*Ordered* to lie.

Resolutions were severally offered, read and adopted :

By Mr. Jones, as follows :

*Resolved,* That so much of the Governor's message as relates to Common Schools, be referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Chase of Jay, as follows :

*Resolved,* That so much of the Governor's message as relates to Militia, be referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Frisbie, as follows :

*Resolved,* That so much of the Governor's message as relates to Legislation, be referred to a select committee of seven members of this House.

Mr. Allis offered the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Tuesday, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Sergeant-at-Arms, Auditor of Accounts, Commissioners of the Insane, Railroad Commissioner, Adjutant and Inspector General, Quartermaster General, Judge Advocate General, Superintendent of the State Prison for the year ensuing ; also, to elect Judges of the Supreme Court for the year ensuing ;

Which was read, and adopted on the part of the House.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Langdon of Montpelier :

H. 1. An act to alter the name of the Montpelier Meet-

ing House Society, enlarge the powers thereof, and fix the time of holding the annual meeting ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley ;

On motion of Mr. Grover, to select committee to be composed of members from Rutland County.

By Mr. Hill of Middlebury,

H. 3. An act for the relief of School District No. 4, in Middlebury ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Green Mountain Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Grover,

H. 5. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Dairy Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 6. An act changing the name of Eva Julia Manley, and constituting her heir-at-law of Elijah S. Mead and Rhoda Mead ;

To the General Committee.

The Speaker announced the appointment, as the standing committee

*On Rules :*

Mr. Frisbie of Poultney,

“ Burt of Swanton,

“ Bisbee of Newport.

Mr. Allis moved a reconsideration of the vote adopting a joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly to elect certain State officers ;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Allis then moved to amend the resolution, by inserting the words “ and Reporter ” after the word “ Judges ; ”

Which amendment was agreed to, and the question being, Shall the resolution as amended be adopted ?

On motion of Mr. Wheelock, it was

*Ordered* to lie.

On motion of Mr. Gibb, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Mr. Frisbie, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following report:

*To the House of Representatives now in session:*

The Committee on Rules respectfully submit the following, and recommend their adoption.

BARNES FRISBIE, }  
LEWIS H. BISBEE, } for Committee.

## RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

## SEC. 1.

The House shall meet every day (Sundays excepted), at ten o'clock in the morning, and at two o'clock in the afternoon, unless otherwise specially ordered.

## OF COMMITTEES.

## SEC. 2.

At the commencement of each session the following standing committees shall be appointed, viz:

A committee of three members, to report rules of the House.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to the election of members; to be denominated the Committee of Elections.

A committee of seven members, to whom shall be referred all matters relating to the Government of the United States and the relations of this State to it; to be denominated the Committee on Federal Relations.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters affecting the revenue of the State—shall, from time to time, inquire into the state of the Treasury; ascertain the amount of debts due the State, and the claims against it; report the amount of taxes necessary to be raised for the support of Government, and inquire whether any, and if any, what measures ought to be adopted, the better to equalize the public burdens, secure the accountability of public agents, and otherwise improve the financial concerns of the State; to be denominated the Committee of Ways and Means.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to the militia; to be denominated the Committee on Military Affairs.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to the judiciary; to be denominated the Judiciary Committee.

A committee consisting of seven members, to take into consideration all literary and scientific subjects; to be denominated the Committee on Education.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all claims against the State; to be denominated the Committee of Claims.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to railroads; to be denominated the Committee on Railroads.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to highways, bridges and ferries; to be denominated the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to banks; to be denominated the Committee on Banks.

A committee consisting of seven members, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to domestic manufactures; to be denominated the Committee on Manufactures.

A committee consisting of one member from each county, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to agriculture; to be denominated the Committee on Agriculture.

A committee consisting of one member from each county, who shall take into consideration all matters relating to land taxes; to be denominated the Land Tax Committee.

A committee of two members from each county, to make up the Grand List.

A committee of one member from each county, to take into consideration all subjects referred to a member from each county; to be denominated the General Committee.

A committee of one member from each county, whose duty it shall be to receive and distribute all public documents and papers printed for the use of the members; to be denominated the Distributing Committee.

A committee consisting of seven members, to take into consideration all matters relating to the State Prison; to be denominated the Committee on the State Prison.

A committee of seven members, to whom shall be referred

all bills and other matters relative to private corporations, for which there may be no other appropriate committee; to be denominated the Committee on Corporations.

A committee of seven members, to whom shall be referred all bills and other matters relative to town lines; to be denominated the Committee on Town Lines.

A committee consisting of one member from each county, to take into consideration all matters relating to the mileage and debentures of the members of the House; to be denominated the Committee on Mileage and Debentures.

A committee consisting of seven members, to take into consideration all matters relating to the public buildings; to be denominated the Committee on Public Buildings.

### SEC. 3.

No committee shall sit during the session of the House, without leave from the House.

### SEC. 4.

All committees shall have a right to report by bill.

### SEC. 5.

All committees shall be made by the Speaker, but any appointment made by him may, on motion of a member, be overruled by the House: in which case the House shall, on nomination of a member, immediately fill the vacancy.

### SEC. 6.

Any member may excuse himself from service on any committee, if, at the time of his appointment, he shall be a member of two other committees.

### SEC. 7.

When the House shall have ordered the appointment of a committee, the Speaker shall be entitled to one recess of the House in which to make the appointment.

## OF THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE SPEAKER AND OTHER MEMBERS.

### SEC. 8.

The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call to order and proceed to busi-

ness ; causing the journals of the previous day to be read at the opening of the House on each day, unless otherwise ordered by the House. He shall preserve order, and may speak on questions of order in preference to any other member, rising from his seat for that purpose ; and shall decide on all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House.

#### SEC. 9.

In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the gallery or lobby, the Speaker may cause the same to be cleared.

#### SEC. 10.

If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any other member may, call to order, in which case the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain, and the House shall, if appealed to, decide the same without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed ; if otherwise, and the case require, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.

#### SEC. 11.

No member shall speak more than twice to the same question without permission from the House ; nor shall he speak the second time while the floor is claimed by a member who has not spoken to the question under consideration.

#### SEC. 12.

No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave of absence, is sick, or unable to attend.

#### SEC. 13.

The yeas and nays shall be ordered on any question, on demand of a member, and when taken, and also on a division of the House, every member present, except the speaker, shall vote, unless excused by the House ; but no member shall be compelled to vote who was not present when the question was stated from the chair ; nor shall any one, in taking the yeas and nays, be permitted to vote, except by unanimous consent, who was not within the bar of the House when his name was called ; and when any member shall ask



leave to vote, the Speaker shall propound to him the question: "Were you within the bar of the House when your name was called?" Nor shall any member be permitted to vote on any question in which he is immediately or directly interested.

#### SEC. 14.

In all cases of ballot by the House, the Speaker shall vote; in other cases he shall not be required to vote, unless the House be equally divided, or unless his vote, if given to the minority, will make the division equal; and in case of such equal division the question shall be lost. And no member, or other person, shall visit or remain by the Clerk's table while the yeas and nays are being called, or the ballots are being counted.

#### SEC. 15.

No member in the minority, or who did not vote on any question, shall have a right to move a reconsideration thereof, nor shall a motion for reconsideration be in order, unless made before the close of the next day of actual session after that on which the vote was taken.

#### SEC. 16.

Every member, on presenting a resolution, shall state, shortly, the object of it, and be held responsible for the propriety of expression therein used.

#### SEC. 17.

Every motion shall be reduced to writing by the mover, if required by the Speaker, or any other member.

#### SEC. 18.

The Speaker shall have a right to call upon any member to discharge the duties of the chair, whenever, from indisposition or other cause, he shall find it necessary temporarily to retire from it; and when the House shall go into Committee of the Whole, the chairman shall be named by the Speaker.

#### SEC. 19.

All petitions shall be referred to a committee without reading, unless the reading be demanded by a member.

SEC. 20.

The House having once decided on any question, it shall not again be brought before the House by any member thereof, in any form whatever, during the same session.

SEC. 21.

When a motion shall be made for a call of the House, the call shall be ordered, if said motion is sustained by a majority of the members present.

SEC. 22.

No motion to amend the rules of the House shall be acted upon until it shall have been before the House at least twenty-four hours.

SEC. 23.

The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, the Treasurer and Secretary of State, Auditor of Accounts, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, and members of the State Senate, Senators and Members of Congress, the Judges of the Supreme and Circuit Courts, the District Judge, Collector, Attorney and Marshal of the United States, and such as have previously held those offices; the members of the Council of Censors; the clergy, and such as may be introduced by a member, shall be admitted to seats on the floor of the House.

SEC. 24.

Counsel may be admitted to advocate any cause, if permitted by three-fourths of the members present.

SEC. 25.

No bill shall pass the House until it shall have been read three several times, the last of which shall be at least twenty-four hours after the first reading, and the third reading of all bills of a public nature shall be ordered for some particular day.

SEC. 26.

Every bill originating in the House shall be engrossed before it is read a third time, and at the third reading it shall not be amended in the House, unless by unanimous consent; but it may be committed to a member for amendment.

## SEC. 27.

All bills shall be read a second time by their titles only, unless the reading shall be demanded by a member; and all bills after the second reading, and all petitions, memorials, remonstrances, resolutions, and other papers, calling for legislative action (except such as have been reported by a committee), no objection being made, shall be referred by the Speaker to appropriate committees.

## SEC. 28.

No bill for the charter, re-charter, or increase of capital of any bank, or for the alteration of county or town lines, or the removal or alteration of shires, shall be entertained by the House, unless it is made to appear to the committee to which it may have been referred that the required notice has been given.

## SEC. 29.

The subject matter of each and every bill shall be briefly indicated in the title by the mover, at the time of its introduction; and every bill and resolution shall be properly folded, and the name of the mover, and the town he represents, shall be legibly written on the bottom of the same before it shall be offered.

## SEC. 30.

A two-thirds vote of all present shall be required for the suspension of any rule of the House.

## MOTIONS.

## SEC. 31.

A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be determined without debate.

## SEC. 32.

Motions on bills and resolutions shall be sustained in the following order:

1. To dismiss.
2. To postpone to a day certain.
3. To lay on the table.
4. To commit.
5. To amend.

## SEC. 33.

If the question in debate contains several points, the same shall be divided on the demand of a member. A motion to strike out or insert shall not be divided, but the rejection of a motion to strike out and insert one proposition shall not preclude a motion to strike out and insert a different one, or a motion simply to strike out prevent a subsequent one to strike out and insert.

## SEC. 34.

In filling blanks, the largest sum and the longest time shall be the first in order.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

## SEC. 35.

The first hour of each morning's sitting may be devoted to the reception and disposal of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, motions, resolutions, and the introduction of bills; after which the orders of the day, or other proper business shall be announced, always commencing with the unfinished business of the last sitting. The first hour of the afternoon's sitting may be occupied in the receiving and disposing of reports of committees, and in completing the business of the morning hour; at the expiration of which, the House will again take up the orders of the day.

## REPORTS.

## SEC. 36.

Reports of committees may be signed by any member in behalf of the committee, and may be made to the House by any member of the committee in person, or by laying the same on the Speaker's table during the afternoon hour. The signer of such report shall be held responsible for the accuracy of its statements, and the propriety of its language, and when the same shall be under consideration, he shall be further liable to answer all proper calls of any member of the House, for additional statements of facts.

## SEC. 37.

All bills and other matters reported to the House by committees, requiring the action of the House, shall be taken

up and considered in the same order in which they are reported, unless the House shall otherwise direct.

#### SEC. 38.

All incidental questions of order, arising after a motion is made for the previous question, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal, or otherwise, without debate.

#### SEC. 39.

After the second reading of all bills of a public character, the Clerk shall cause not less than three hundred copies of the same to be forthwith printed for the use of the members of the General Assembly.

Three hundred copies shall forthwith be ordered printed for the use of the General Assembly of all bills ordered printed by the Committee on Printing.

#### SEC. 40.

All messages from the House of Representatives to the Senate, shall be transmitted by its Clerk, or one of his Assistants.

#### SEC. 41.

Each and every member shall, immediately after the election of Speaker and Clerk, and taking the oath required by the Constitution, subscribe to the same in a book provided for that purpose, unless said member shall have previously subscribed to said oath at some former session of the Legislature.

#### SEC. 42.

At eight o'clock on the morning of the first day of the session, and before the House shall be called to order, the Clerk shall place in a box prepared for the purpose, ballots, designating by name the several towns in the State; and shall proceed to draw therefrom, impartially, one ballot at a time until all are drawn. And as each ballot is drawn the member from the town designated by such ballot shall personally, if present, or may by proxy, if absent, select his seat. If any member from any town so drawn should not be present, either personally or by proxy, at the time of such drawing, the town next drawn shall have preference.

Which report was accepted, and the rules therein reported adopted as the rules of the House of Representatives for the present session.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials, which were in due form, to wit:

Mr. George S. Goodrich, as the representative of the town of Berkshire;

Mr. Jason Clark, as the representative of the town of Williston;

Mr. Edwin W. Washburn, as the representative of the town of Starksboro;

Who, appearing at the bar of the House, were duly sworn, and admitted to seats in the House.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second times, and referred as follows:

By Mr. Briggs,

H. 7. An act to change the name of George O. Foskett, and constitute him heir-at-law of Orville Ford;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Gleed,

H. 8. An act to provide for the expenses of the Council of Censors;

To the Committee of Ways and Means.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have elected George N. Dale, a Senator from the county of Essex, their President *pro tempore*.

Mr. Stuart offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, By the House of Representatives, that the Committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of legislative enactment requiring the reading of the Holy Scriptures in our common schools;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Day, at three o'clock the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials, which were in due form :

Mr. Jacob Estey, as the representative of the town of Brattleboro ;

Mr. Jotham S. Rice, as the representative of the town of Westford ;

Mr. Nelson Gay, as the representative of the town of Stockbridge ;

Mr. Thomas Pollard, as the representative of the town of Vershire ;

Mr. Mason S. Colburn, as the representative of the town of Manchester ;

Mr. Samuel S. Hunt, as the representative of the town of Guilford ;

Mr. Henry H. Goodsell, as the representative of the town of Isle La Motte ;

Mr. Martin Leonard, as the representative of the town of Wardsboro ;

Mr. Lyman Batcheller, as the representative of the town of Wallingford ;

Mr. Joseph Andrew, as the representative of the town of Brighton ;

Mr. Milo Pierce, as the representative of the town of Shaftsbury ;

Who, appearing at the bar of the House, were duly sworn and admitted to their seats.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Jones,

H. 9. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Rutland and Addison to aid in the construction of the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Grover,

H. 10. An act in addition to chapter ninety-four of the

General Statutes, entitled "of the traffic in intoxicating drinks ;"

By Mr. Wales,

H. 11. An act relating to the city of Burlington and the city court of said city ;

By Mr. Grover,

H. 12. An act relating to an increase in the rate of interest ;

By Mr. Hall,

H. 13. An act in amendment of an act re-incorporating Newbury Seminary, passed November 2, 1833 ;

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 14. An act granting three days grace on all bills of exchange, notes, orders and drafts executed and made payable within this State ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bigelow offered a joint resolution, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That a special committee of five from the House and two from the Senate be appointed to examine and take into consideration all matters that may be presented to them in reference to the Reform School, and report to the present legislature such measures as they consider will conduce to the greatest efficiency, welfare and advancement of the same ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Edson offered the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That the Committee on Education be directed to inquire into the propriety of enacting a law requiring parents and guardians to send all their children to school over six and under fourteen years of age, at least three months in a year, unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable accident, and report by bill or otherwise ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Joyce presented sundry petitions praying for the commutation of the sentence of Horace R. Plumley, as follows :

That of Rufus Holt and thirty others, citizens of Pittsfield ; that of Geo. W. Sawyer and sixteen others, citizens of Rutland county ; that of Chas. Bebee and sixty-two others, citizens of Mendon and Rutland ; that of N. P. Simonds and forty others, citizens of Rutland ; that of H. R. Jones and thirteen others, citizens of Benson ; that of D. F. Good-



rich and thirty others, citizens of Brandon; that of A. W. Nicholson and one hundred and forty-three others, citizens of Wallingford; that of Ben. K. Chase and two others; that of F. M. Cilley and nineteen others, citizens of Rutland county; that of B. W. Burt and forty-three others, citizens of Castleton; that of John Cain and forty-three others, citizens of Rutland; that of H. W. Wilcox and one hundred and forty-seven others, citizens of Shrewsbury; that of Philander Hall and thirty-two others, citizens of Rutland county; that of E. W. Aldrich and twenty-five others, citizens of Shrewsbury; that of Patrick Kelley and forty-three others, citizens of Rutland; that of H. S. Buttles and fifty-two others, citizens of Brandon; that of A. C. Blaisdell and sixteen others, citizens of Rutland; that of J. Joslin and forty-five others, citizens of Poultney; that of Horace R. Plumley, Ziba Plumley and Fred. G. Plumley; that of Capen Leonard and sixty-six others, citizens of Pittsford and Rutland; that of Ezra Edson and fifty-five others, citizens of Mendon; that of John Cooke and fourteen others, citizens of Rutland; that of John Landon and twenty-four others, citizens of Rutland and Mendon; that of William Lord and thirty-five others, citizens of Mount Holly; that of Henry Hayward and thirteen others, citizens of Rutland; that of W. L. Bucklin and seventeen others, citizens of Shrewsbury; that of Enoch Smith and one hundred and ten others, citizens of Clarendon; that of Henry Clark and forty-three others, citizens of Rutland;

Which were severally referred to the select committee raised for that purpose, consisting of the members from Rutland county.

Mr. Jones offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That all bills relating to railroads be deemed public bills, and that the Clerk procure the printing of the usual number of copies of all such acts;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ladd, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Bull,

H. 15. An act to amend section two of chapter one hundred and three of the General Statutes, relating to bounties on noxious animals ; ●

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Hoskison,

H. 16. An act in amendment of section four of chapter one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, entitled "of mechanics' and other liens ;"

By Mr. Wales,

H. 17. An act to amend the charter of the Vermont Life Insurance Company ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials, which were in due form, to wit :

Mr. Joel Holton, as the representative of the town of Jamaica ;

Mr. Melvin A. Knowlton, as the representative of the town of Stratton ;

Who appearing at the bar of the House, were duly sworn and admitted to seats.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have adopted, on their part, a joint resolution providing for Joint Assembly on Thursday next, to elect Secretary of State and other officers ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The President has appointed joint committees as follows :

*On Bills :*

Senator Elkins,  
" Copeland.

*On Joint Rules :*

Senator Ladd,  
 “ Hall.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
 That the two houses meet in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Thursday next, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Sergeant-at-Arms, Auditor of Accounts, Commissioner of the Insane, Railroad Commissioner, Adjutant and Inspector General, Quartermaster General, Judge Advocate General, Superintendent of the State Prison, and three Directors of the State Prison, for the year ensuing ;

Which was read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Joyce, from Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule, to whom was referred the joint resolution ratifying the proposed fifteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States, reported favorably to its adoption on the part of the House.

The question being, Shall the resolution be adopted on the part of the House ? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 196, nays 12.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Hinckley, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abbott,  
 Alden,  
 Allis,  
 Andrew,  
 Batcheller,  
 Bailey,  
 Baldwin,  
 Ballard,  
 Barnes,  
 Barney,  
 Barrett of Weathersfield,  
 Bartlett,  
 Bebee,  
 Benedict,  
 Benton,  
 Bigelow,  
 Bisbee,  
 Bishop,  
 Boyce,  
 Brewer,  
 Brewster,  
 Briggs,  
 Brigham of Essex,  
 Brigham of Pittsfield,  
 Bromley,  
 Brown of Norwich,  
 Brown of Richford,  
 Bull,  
 Butterfield,  
 Cardell,

Carleton,  
 Carpenter,  
 Chamberlin of Craftsbury,  
 Chase of Concord,  
 Chase of Jay,  
 Clark of Lincoln,  
 Clark of Randolph,  
 Clark of Williston,  
 Cobb,  
 Coburn,  
 Colburn,  
 Conkey,  
 Cook of Elmore,  
 Cook of West Fairlee,  
 Cowles,  
 Curtis,  
 Darling,  
 Day,  
 Deming,  
 Dickey,  
 Dike,  
 Divoll,  
 Dow,  
 Downing,  
 Dutton,  
 Eaton,  
 Edgerton,  
 Edson,  
 Estey,  
 Farman,

Farnsworth,  
 Farrar,  
 Fenn,  
 Foster of Sudbury,  
 Foster of Wolcott,  
 Freeman,  
 Frisbie,  
 Gambell,  
 Gay,  
 Gibb,  
 Giffin,  
 Gleed,  
 Goff,  
 Goodell,  
 Goodrich,  
 Goodsell,  
 Grover,  
 Hall,  
 Hamblet,  
 Hamilton,  
 Harrington,  
 Hedden,  
 Hemenway,  
 Hewitt,  
 Hill of Hubbardton,  
 Hill of Middlebury,  
 Hinckley,  
 Holden,  
 Holman,  
 Holmes of Moretown,

Holmes of Waterville,	Manning,	Scott,
Holton,	Marsh,	Severance,
Hooker,	Mason,	Silsby,
Hopkins,	McKnight,	Smith of Barnet,
Hoskison,	Merrill,	Smith of Hartland,
Howard,	Miles,	Southwick,
Hubbard,	Moore,	Spaulding,
Humphrey,	Morse,	Speaker,
Hunt of Guilford,	Mowry,	Stoddard,
Huntington,	Nichols of Danby,	Stone,
Hurd,	Nichols of Lunenburg,	Strong,
Hurlburt,	Nickerson,	Taylor,
Isham,	North,	Thompson,
Jackson of Orange,	Ober,	Underwood,
Jackson of Panton,	Ormsby,	Upham,
Jenkins,	Page,	Wales,
Jewett,	Paine,	Walker of Clarendon,
Johnson of Sherburne,	Parker of Lowell,	Walker of Londonderry,
Johnson of Vernon,	Parker of Sharon,	Warner,
Joyce,	Peabody,	Washburn,
Keeler,	Phelps,	Way,
Kemp,	Pierce of Cavendish,	Weed,
Kenaston,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,	Wentworth,
King of Mt. Tabor,	Pratt,	Wetherby,
King of Tunbridge,	Purmort,	Wheat,
Kingsbury,	Reed,	Wheeler,
Kinsley,	Remington,	Wheelock,
Knapp,	Reynolds,	White of Eden,
Kneeland,	Rice,	White of Springfield,
Knowlton,	Richmond,	Whitney,
Ladd,	Ridley,	Willey,
Langdon of Montpelier,	Ripley,	Williams,
Langdon of New Haven,	Rixford,	Wood,
Leonard,	Ross,	Worcester of Greensboro,
Long,	Safford,	Wright—196.
Lyman,		

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,	Hazeltine,	Peak,
Barrett of Underhill,	Holbrook,	Pollard,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Palmer,	Soule,
Clark of Groton,	Parks,	Wooster of Marshfield—12.

So the resolution was adopted on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Southwick, at three o'clock the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Mr. Hazen of Northfield.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Bailey introduced the following bill:

H. 18. An act to amend the act incorporating Newbury Seminary;

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Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Bailey also presented the petition of Joseph Atkinson and fifty-two others, citizens of Newbury and vicinity, relating to the same matter ;

Which was read, and also referred to the Committee on Education.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred as follows :

By Mr. Severance,

H. 19. An act in relation to the appropriation of monies for the use of schools ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Bartlett,

H. 20. An act in amendment of section six of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes,

Together with the petition of Jeremy Pearl and fifty-six others, citizens of Lyndon, praying for the equalization on lease lands of the taxes for Highway and School purposes ;

To the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Butterfield,

H. 21. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. White of Springfield,

H. 22. An act to incorporate the Springfield Flouring Mill Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 23. An act to amend section one of chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes, relating to the rights of married women ;

To the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Jones introduced the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That a committee consisting of three Senators and five members of this House, be appointed by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, to visit the State Reform School at Waterbury, examine into its condition and management, and report to each House respectively ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Safford offered the following resolution :

- *Resolved*, That the several committees to which are referred private bills introduced into this House, for which provisions are made by Statute, are hereby instructed to report against the same ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Wales, from the Committee on Joint Rules, reported the following, which were adopted by the House as the Joint Rules of the present session :

## JOINT RULES OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

### 1.

A Joint Assembly shall be formed by an Union of the Senate and House of Representatives in the Hall of the latter, at such time and for such specific purpose only as may be expressed in a concurrent resolution of both Houses ; and may adjourn from time to time during the session of the General Assembly. The President of the Senate shall in all cases preside over, and the Secretary of State, or in his absence, the Secretary of the Senate, shall officiate as Clerk of every Joint Assembly.

### 2.

The proceedings of every Joint Assembly, including the resolution ordering the same, shall be recorded by the Clerk in a book kept for that purpose, which shall be preserved in the office of the Secretary of State, a copy of which shall be furnished to the Governor by the Secretary of State, and shall also be published with the Journal of the proceedings of the House of Representatives.

### 3.

The rules of the Senate, as far as applicable, shall be observed in regulating the proceedings of every Joint Assembly.

### 4.

A joint committee of three Senators and three Representatives shall be appointed by the presiding officers of the two Houses respectively, to whom may be referred all docu-

ments transmitted by the Governor for the use of the General Assembly, who shall report thereon to that House from which they were received.

## 5.

The committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, to whom the same subject matter shall have been referred, may, for the purpose of facilitating business, meet together as a joint committee, and make a joint or separate report to either or both Houses, as they may think expedient.

## 6.

In every case of disagreement between the Senate and House of Representatives, if either shall request a conference and appoint a committee for that purpose, and the other House shall also appoint a committee on its part, such committee shall meet at a convenient hour, to be agreed upon by their chairman, in the conference room, and state to each other, verbally or in writing, the reasons of each House for its vote on the subject matter of disagreement, confer freely thereon, and make a report of their doings to their respective Houses as soon as may be.

## 7.

Committees of Conference shall consist of an equal number from each House, and shall return the papers referred to them to that House which last voted upon the subject matter of disagreement.

## 8.

After each House shall have adhered to the vote of disagreement, a bill or resolution shall be lost.

## 9.

When bills and resolutions are on their passage between the two Houses, they shall be verified by the attestation of the Secretary or Clerk of each House respectively, and all joint resolutions shall be fairly engrossed, after their passage, in the House in which they originate, and shall, when finally passed, be signed by the presiding officers of both Houses, in the same manner as bills.

## 10.

After bills have passed both Houses, and a certificate, showing the one in which they respectively originated, has been duly endorsed thereon, they shall be delivered to a joint standing committee of two Senators and two members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the presiding officers of the two Houses respectively, and to be designated the *Committee on Bills*, who shall make careful examination, and see that they are correctly engrossed, both as regards the original bill, and all amendments thereto, and when satisfied of their accuracy, shall present them, first to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and then to the President of the Senate, for their official signatures, and having obtained them, they shall forthwith deliver them to Governor for his approval, and shall make a true report to both Houses of the day on which such bill was delivered to the Governor, which shall be duly entered upon the Journal of each House.

## 11.

A joint committee of two Senators and two Representatives shall be appointed by the presiding officers of the two Houses respectively, at the commencement of the session, to be designated the *Committee on Joint Rules*.

## 12.

When a bill or resolution, which shall have passed one House, is rejected in the other, notice thereof shall be given to the House in which the same shall have passed; and all such rejected bills or resolutions, with the accompanying papers, shall be returned to, and left in the custody of the House which first acted on them.

## 13.

Each House shall transmit to the other all papers on which any bill or resolution shall be founded; and should any bill or resolution pass both Houses, the same paper shall be delivered to the Governor.

## 14.

No bill, which shall have passed one House, shall be sent for concurrence to the other, on the last day of the session.



## 15.

The final adjournment of the General Assembly shall be fixed at an hour between six o'clock in the forenoon and nine o'clock in the afternoon.

## 16.

A two-thirds vote of all present shall be required for the suspension of any joint rule.

## 17.

A joint committee on the Library, consisting of two Senators and three Representatives, shall, on nomination of the presiding officers of their respective Houses, be appointed by each House respectively.

## 18.

A joint committee of three Senators and five Representatives shall be appointed by the presiding officers of the two Houses, respectively, to be designated the Committee on the *Reform School*; whose duty it shall be to visit such School and report the condition thereof to the General Assembly, each session, and to take into consideration all matters relating to said School, which may be referred to them.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have considered the joint resolution ratifying the amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and have unanimously adopted the same in concurrence.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have adopted a joint resolution granting the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives to the managers of the Home for Destitute Children;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

On motion of Mr. Hinckley, Mr. Harman Canfield, as the Representative of the town of Arlington, was admitted to take his seat in the House without producing his credentials; and he was duly sworn, and so admitted.

Mr. Joyce presented the petition of D. E. Nicholson and three others, praying for the commutation of the sentence of Horace R. Plumley ;

Which was referred to the Select Committee raised for that purpose.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives be tendered to the managers of the Home for Destitute Children, at Burlington, on Wednesday evening, October twenty-seventh, 1869, for a meeting to set forth the objects of that Institution ;

Which was read and adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Page, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have appointed as Joint Committee on the Library, on the part of the Senate:

Senator Hutchinson of Orange,  
“ Saxe of Franklin.

As committee on the part of the Senate to canvass votes for county officers :

Addison County . . . .	Mr. Nash,
Bennington County . . . .	“ Orvis,
Caledonia County . . . .	“ Hall,
Chittenden County . . . .	“ Benedict,
Essex County . . . .	“ Dale,
Franklin County . . . .	“ Hutchinson,
Grand Isle County . . . .	“ Ladd,
Lamoille County . . . .	“ Camp,
Orange County . . . .	“ Farnham,
Orleans County . . . .	“ Dickerman,
Rutland County . . . .	“ Merrill,
Washington County . . . .	“ Hastings,
Windham County . . . .	“ Wheeler,
Windsor County . . . .	“ Dewey.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows :

*To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR : I have the honor to transmit herewith to the House of Representatives, a communication from the Governor of Ohio, with an accompanying act of the Legislature of that State, providing for the transfer to the General Government of the National Cemeteries at Antietam and Gettysburgh.

The title to these cemeteries is held by the States of Maryland and Pennsylvania respectively in fee, but in trust for the States which have participated in their establishment. The joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of this State, in 1868, was applicable only to the cemetery at Gettysburgh : and it may admit of question whether it is sufficient to accomplish the full purpose which was intended.

I respectfully suggest the propriety of the enactment of a law applicable to both cemeteries, and similar in its general character to the first and second sections of the law enacted by Ohio.

I remain, &c.,

PETER T. WASHBURN.

Which communication, together with the accompanying document, were read and referred to Committee under Fourth Joint Rule.

(See Appendix.)

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Clark of Williston,

H. 24. An act entitled "An act making the Winooski river the boundary line between the towns of Williston and Jericho ;"

To the Committee on Town Lines.

By Mr. Hoskison,

H. 25. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section thirteen of chapter forty-seven of the General Statutes, entitled 'Of levy of execution ;' "

To the Committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following

STANDING COMMITTEES.

*On Elections :*

Mr. Joyce of Rutland,  
“ Bartlett of Lyndon,  
“ Weed of Shelburne,  
“ Jackson of Panton,  
“ Bailey of Newbury,  
“ Hunt of Guilford,  
“ Aiken of Troy.

*On Wags and Means :*

Mr. Langdon of Montpelier,  
“ Hill of Middlebury,  
“ Hunt of St. Albans,  
“ Briggs of Brandon,  
“ King of Tunbridge,  
“ Richmond of Woodstock,  
“ Mason of Richmond.

*On Military Affairs :*

Mr. Grout of Barton,  
“ Smith of Stowe,  
“ Lynde of Marlboro,  
“ Williams of Monkton,  
“ Boyce of Fayston,  
“ Chase of Jay,  
“ Thompson of Baltimore.

*On Judiciary :*

Mr. Canfield of Arlington,  
“ Wood of Fairhaven,  
“ Burt of Swanton,  
“ Dickey of Bradford,  
“ Bromley of Pawlet,  
“ Ballard of Fairfax,  
“ Butterfield of Wilmington.

*On Education :*

Mr. Wales of Burlington,  
“ Gleed of Morristown,  
“ Baldwin of Hinesburgh,

Mr. Jones of Benson,  
“ Brigham of Pittsfield,  
“ Farnsworth of Windsor,  
“ Carleton of Waitsfield.

*On Claims :*

Mr. Hinckley of Chelsea,  
“ Goff of Royalton,  
“ Peabody of Pittsford,  
“ Benedict of Cornwall,  
“ Page of Hydepark,  
“ Hurd of Sandgate,  
“ Wooster of Marshfield.

*On Railroads :*

Mr. Safford of Hartford,  
“ Langdon of Montpelier,  
“ Foster of Wolcott,  
“ Hoskison of Mt. Holly,  
“ Barnes of Ferrisburgh,  
“ Colburn of Manchester,  
“ Bisbee of Newport.

*On Banks :*

Mr. King of Tunbridge,  
“ Hall of St. Johnsbury,  
“ Conkey of Orwell,  
“ Brewster of Irasburgh,  
“ Walker of Clarendon,  
“ Pierce of Cavendish,  
“ Bishop of Bolton.

*On Manufactures :*

Mr. Estey of Brattleboro,  
“ Batcheller of Wallingford,  
“ Benton of Bennington,  
“ Washburn of Starksboro,  
“ Stevens of Colchester,  
“ Walker of Londonderry,  
“ Pollard of Vershire.

*On Agriculture :*

Mr. White of Springfield,  
" Wheat of Putney,  
" Purmort of Georgia,  
" Pierce of Shaftsbury,  
" Smith of Barnet,  
" Brigham of Essex,  
" Clark of Randolph,  
" North of Shoreham,  
" Nichols of Danby,  
" Wetherby of Cambridge,  
" Darling of Derby,  
" Gordon of Grand Isle,  
" Morse of Calais,  
" Chase of Concord.

*General Committee :*

Mr. Frisbie of Poultney,  
" Holton of Jamaica,  
" Ripley of Ripton,  
" Graham of Winhall,  
" Brown of Richford,  
" Clark of Williston,  
" Barrett of Weathersfield,  
" Allis of Brookfield,  
" Hooker of Peacham,  
" Reynolds of Alburgh,  
" White of Eden,  
" Coburn of East Montpelier,  
" Cowles of Coventry,  
" Freeman of Guildhall.

*On State Prison :*

Mr. Brewer of Enosburgh  
" Cobb of Tinmouth,  
" Spalding of West Windsor,  
" Goodell of Westminster,  
" Jewett of Granville,  
" Merrill of Bloomfield,  
" Foster of Sudbury.

*On Corporations :*

Mr. Grover of Wells,  
" Gay of Stockbridge,

Mr. Wheelock of Berlin,  
 " Hubbard of Whiting.  
 " Ladd of Milton,  
 " Rixford of Highgate,  
 " Peak of Stamford.

*On Town Lines :*

Mr. Carpenter of Charleston,  
 " Divoll of Rockingham,  
 " Huntington of Weybridge,  
 " Southwick of Middletown,  
 " Dow of Strafford,  
 " Pratt of Pomfret,  
 " Brigham of Bakersfield.

*On Highways, Bridges and Ferries :*

Mr. Barney of Castleton,  
 " Wentworth of Chester,  
 " Strong of Addison,  
 " Wright of Pownal,  
 " Edgerton of Charlotte,  
 " Humphrey of Burke,  
 " Goodsell of Isle La Motte.

Mr. Bisbee offered the following resolution :

*Resolved by the House of Representatives now in session,*  
 That when this House adjourns on Friday afternoon next, it  
 adjourn until the following Monday, at four o'clock in the  
 afternoon ;

Which was adopted—yeas 112, nays 86.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Bull, were  
 taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Aldrich,  
 Allis,  
 Bailey,  
 Barrett of Underhill,  
 Barrett of Weathersfield,  
 Benedict,  
 Bisbee,  
 Bishop,  
 Brewer,  
 Brigham of Essex,  
 Brigham of Pittsfield,  
 Bromley,  
 Brown of Richford,  
 Burt,  
 Campbell,  
 Canfield,  
 Carleton,

Chase of Jay,  
 Clark of Groton,  
 Clark of Lincoln,  
 Clark of Randolph,  
 Clark of Williston,  
 Coburn,  
 Colburn,  
 Conkey,  
 Cook of Elmore,  
 Cook of West Fairlee,  
 Day,  
 Dickey,  
 Dike,  
 Divoll,  
 Eaton,  
 Edson,  
 Esty,

Farman,  
 Farrar,  
 Foster of Sudbury,  
 Foster of Wolcott,  
 Frisbie,  
 Gay,  
 Giffin,  
 Gleed,  
 Goodsell,  
 Gordon,  
 Grover,  
 Hall,  
 Hamilton,  
 Hedden,  
 Hill of Hubbardton,  
 Hinckley,  
 Holmes, of Waterville,

Hopkins,	Nickerson,	Soule,
Hoskison,	North,	Southwick,
Howard,	Paine,	Spaulding,
Hubbard,	Palmer,	Stanton,
Huntington,	Parker of Lowell,	Stevens,
Jackson of Pantan,	Peabody,	Strong,
Jones,	Peak,	Stuart,
Joyce,	Pierce of Cavendish,	Taylor,
Keeler,	Pollard,	Thompson,
Kenaston,	Purmort,	Wales,
King of Mt. Tabor,	Reed,	Warner,
King of Tunbridge,	Remington,	Washburn,
Kingsbury,	Rice,	Weed,
Kneeland,	Richmond,	Wetherby,
Ladd,	Ridley,	Wheeler,
Langdon of Montpelier,	Ripley,	White of Eden,
Mason,	Rixford,	White of Springfield,
McKnight,	Safford,	Wood,
Morgan,	Smith of Barnet,	Worcester of Greensboro,
Mowry,	Smith of Stowe,	Wooster of Marshfield—112.
Nichols of Lunenburg,		

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,	Everts,	Marsh,
Alden,	Fenn,	Merrill,
Andrew,	Gambell,	Miles,
Batcheller,	Gibb,	Moore,
Baldwin,	Goodell,	Nichols of Danby,
Barnes,	Hamblet,	Ober,
Barney,	Hazeltine,	Ormsby,
Bartlett,	Hewitt,	Page,
Beebe,	Hill of Middlebury,	Phelps,
Benton,	Holbrook,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Bigelow,	Holmes of Moretown,	Pratt,
Boyce,	Holton,	Ross,
Brewster,	Hooker,	Scott,
Briggs,	Hunt of Guilford,	Severance,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Hurd,	Silsby,
Brown of Norwich,	Isham,	Smith of Hartland,
Ball,	Jackson of Orange,	Stoddard,
Butterfield,	Jenkins,	Stone,
Cardell,	Jewett,	Underwood,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Johnson of Sherburne,	Upham,
Chase of Concord,	Johnson of Vernon,	Way,
Cobb,	Kemp,	Walker of Clarendon,
Cowles,	Kinsley,	Wentworth,
Curtis,	Knowlton,	Wheat,
Darling,	Langdon of New Haven,	Wheelock,
Deming,	Leonard,	Whitney,
Downing,	Long,	Williams,
Dutton,	Lyman,	Wright—86.
Edgerton,	Manning,	

On motion of Mr. Edson, at ten minutes past three o'clock, the House adjourned.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Canfield,

H. 26. An act providing for the erection of county buildings in the county of Bennington, and laying a tax for that purpose ;

To committee consisting of the members from Bennington county.

By Mr. Ballard,

H. 27. An act to alter and amend an act to incorporate the Fairfax Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Mason,

H. 28. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter eighteen of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hall,

H. 29. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia ;

To committee consisting of the members from Caledonia county.

By Mr. Butterfield,

H. 30. An act in addition to chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled " Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;"

To the Committee on Highways and Bridges.

By Mr. White of Springfield,

H. 31. An act in amendment of an act incorporating Springfield Wesleyan Seminary, approved November 26, 1853 ;

By Mr. Dow,

H. 32. An act abolishing the office of Railroad Commissioner ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Gordon,

H. 33. An act to incorporate the Grand Isle Steamboat Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Clark of Randolph,

H. 34. An act to change the name of Rosan R. Leathers;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Farnsworth,

H. 35. An act in amendment of No. 22, acts of 1867, relating to married women as witnesses;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 36. An act to extend the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad;

To the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Paul Shuffleton presented his credentials as the representative of the town of Sunderland;

Which being in due form, he was sworn and admitted to his seat in the House.

Mr. Carleton introduced the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire whether any legislation is needed to render more efficient the laws of this State relating to the formation of private corporations by voluntary associations, with leave to report by bill or otherwise;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred a bill entitled

H. 11. An act relating to the city of Burlington and the city court of said city;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon it was

*Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred a bill entitled

H. 12. An act relating to an increase of the rate of interest;

Reported adversely to its passage; and on motion of Mr. Grover it was

*Ordered* to lie and made the special order for next Wednesday at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Joyce, from the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule to whom was referred the communication of his Excellency, the Governor, relative to the Antietam and Gettysburgh cemeteries ;

Reported, recommending the passage of the accompanying bill entitled

H. 38. An act providing for the ceding of the Antietam and Gettysburgh cemeteries to the United States ;

Which was read the first and second time, and

*Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Frisbie, from the special committee consisting of the members from Rutland county to whom was referred a bill entitled

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley ;

Reported, recommending that the bill be amended in section one, line five, so that the figures "1868" shall read "1869 ;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wheelock moved that the bill be ordered to lie and be made the special order for Thursday next at three o'clock in the afternoon ;

After consideration, Mr. Wheelock, by unanimous consent, withdrew his motion.

On motion of Mr. Wood, the bill was

*Ordered* to lie and be made the special order for this afternoon at half past two o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Warren, the House adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON.

Mr. Langdon, from Committee on Ways and Means to whom was referred a bill entitled

H. 8. An act to provide for the expenses of the Council of Censors ;

Reported in favor of its passage.

On motion of Mr. Gleed, the rules were suspended rela-

tive to the engrossment and twenty-four hours to intervene between the first and third reading of bills;

Whereupon the bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom bill was referred entitled

H. 5. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Dairy Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred bills entitled

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Green Mountain Marble Company ; and

H. 22. An act to incorporate the Springfield Flouring Mill Company ;

Reported in favor of their passage ; thereupon they were severally

*Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time.

Mr. Bigelow, from a special committee consisting of the members from Caledonia county to whom was referred a bill entitled

H. 29. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon it was

*Ordered* to be engrossed and read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Gleed introduced a bill entitled

H. 37. An act to empower persons therein named to improve the Gihen and Belvidere Branches ;

Read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have adopted a joint resolution providing for printing the addresses before the Vermont Historical Society ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have appointed on their part as the joint committee on State Reform School :

Senator Merrill,

“ Dale,

“ Camp.

The hour for a Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House be and are hereby directed to procure the printing of one thousand copies of the addresses delivered before the Vermont Historical Society, on the 19th inst., for the use of the two houses ;

Which was read, considered, and adopted in concurrence.

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bill entitled "H. 8, an act to provide for the expenses of the Council of Censors," and have passed the same in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment ;

In which the concurrence of the House is requested.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed a joint resolution originating in the House, of the following title, viz.:

Joint resolution ratifying Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

A bill entitled

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley ;

Being the special order for this time, was taken up, and on the motion of Mr. Gleed was

*Ordered* to lie and be made the special order for Wednesday next at half past ten o'clock.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms.

HON. GEO. W. GRANDEY,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR: I have the honor to nominate, subject to your ap-

proval, the following persons, to serve as officers of the House the present session :

*Doorkeeper :*

John Barden.

*Assistant Doorkeeper.*

Geo. E. Hyde.

*Messengers :*

Geo. W. Grandey, Jr.,

Fred. A. Jones,

Herbert S. Foster,

Morris D. Pollard.

Yours respectfully,

Z. C. CAMP, Sergeant-at-Arms.

October 21, 1869.

House bill entitled

H. 8. An act to provide for the expenses of the Council of Censors, having been returned from the Senate with proposal of amendment, as follows, to add section two, "This act shall take effect from its passage ;"

Which was adopted in concurrence.

The Speaker announced the following

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

*On Library :*

Mr. Underwood of Hardwick,

" Severance of Glover,

" Stewart of South Burlington.

*On Bills :*

Mr. Worcester of Greensboro,

" Stone of Halifax.

*On Reform School :*

Mr. Gleed of Morristown,

" Jones of Benson,

" Bigelow of Ryegate,

" Hedden of Salisbury,

" Ormsby of Waterbury,

" Salisbury of Townshend,

" Morgan of Rochester.

Also the following

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE.

*On Federal Relations :*

Mr. Abell of West Haven,  
“ Niles of Thetford,  
“ Langdon of New Haven,  
“ Marsh of Bethel,  
“ Johnson of Vernon,  
“ Miles of Albany,  
“ Cardell of Warren.

*On Land Taxes :*

Mr. Hamilton of Bridport,  
“ Moore of Landgrove,  
“ Kenaston of Sheffield,  
“ Rice of Westford,  
“ Reed of Granby,  
“ Soule of Fairfield,  
“ Gordon of Grand Isle,  
“ Hurlburt of Belvidere,  
“ Abbott of Fairlee,  
“ Jenkins of Brownington,  
“ Edson of Mendon,  
“ Kemp of Worcester,  
“ Ober of Athens,  
“ Gambell of Barnard.

*On Mileage and Debentures :*

Mr. Clark of Lincoln,  
“ Farrar of Newport,  
“ Giffin of Wheelock,  
“ Isham of St. George,  
“ Holbrook of Lemington,  
“ Hopkins of Montgomery,  
“ Reynolds of Alburgh,  
“ Cook of Elmore,  
“ Jackson of Orange,  
“ Parker of Lowell,  
“ Hill of Hubbardton,  
“ Hazletine of Plainfield,  
“ Phelps of Grafton,  
“ Parker of Sharon.

*On Public Buildings :*

Mr. Benton of Bennington,  
“ Smith of Hartland,  
“ Whitcomb of Barre,  
“ Everts of Waltham,  
“ Andrew of Brighton,  
“ Downing of Washington,  
“ Mowry of Whitingham.

*Distributing Committee :*

Mr. Knapp of Goshen,  
“ Aldrich of Woodford,  
“ Stoddard of Newark,  
“ Ladd of Milton,  
“ Howard of East Haven,  
“ Goodrich of Berkshire,  
“ Parks of North Hero,  
“ White of Eden,  
“ Cook of West Fairlee,  
“ Hamblet of Morgan,  
“ Hewett of Chittenden,  
“ Stanton of Roxbury,  
“ Dutton of Dummerston,  
“ Way of Andover.

*On Grand List :*

Mr. Dike of Bristol,  
“ Alden of Leicester,  
“ Long of Peru,  
“ Bebee of Dorset,  
“ Harrington of Walden,  
“ Ross of Waterford,  
“ Remington of Huntington,  
“ Barrett of Underhill,  
“ Nichols of Lunenburg,  
“ Hunton of Canaan,  
“ Deming of Sheldon,  
“ Kinsley of Fletcher,  
“ Goodsell of Isle La Mott,  
“ Keeler of South Hero,  
“ Manning of Johnson,  
“ Holmes of Waterville,  
“ Holman of Braintree,



Mr. Willey of Topsham,  
“ Chamberlin of Craftsbury,  
“ Gibb of Salem,  
“ Johnson of Sherburne,  
“ Day of Ira,  
“ Holmes of Moretown,  
“ Holden of Middlesex,  
“ Upham of Windham,  
“ Wheeler of Newfane,  
“ Brown of Norwich,  
“ Hemenway of Ludlow.

Mr. Burt of Swanton announced the death of J. D. Brown, the representative elect from the town of Franklin, and proposed the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Whereas*, This House has learned with profound regret of the death, at his residence, on the seventeenth inst., of J. D. Brown, the representative elect from the town of Franklin, therefore

*Resolved*, That in the death of one who at the last session of the Legislature has served the State with such credit to himself, and who had been again elected, with great unanimity, to a seat in this House, we are admonished of the uncertainty of life, and that we so apply our hearts unto wisdom that we too shall be ready for our final change.

*Resolved*, That we tender to the family of the deceased our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of the deceased, and that in honor of his memory the House do now adjourn.

Which resolutions were unanimously adopted, and in accordance with the same, the Speaker declared the House adjourned.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Mr. Merrill of Granville.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Grover moved a reconsideration of the vote making special order for

H. 12. An act relating to "An increase in the rate of interest," which by a vote of the House was agreed to; and on motion of Mr. Grover was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Dickey,

H. 39. An act in amendment of section fifteen of chapter sixty-three of the General Statutes entitled "The limitations of real and personal actions and rights of entry;"

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Lyman,

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover;

To select committee consisting of the members of this House from Windham county.

Mr. Butterfield presented the petition of Wm. F. Esterbrook and eighteen others, citizens of the town of Wilmington, relating to the same matter;

Which was referred to select committee consisting of the members of this House from Windham county.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

By Mr. Baldwin,

H. 41. An act to prevent the careless use of firearms;

By Mr. Grover,

H. 42. An act in amendment of and in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks;"

By Mr. Carleton,

H. 43. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes entitled "Of public lands;"

The Speaker recalled the appointment of Mr. Salisbury and Mr. Morgan from Joint Standing Committee on Reform School.

On motion of Mr. Dickey, the House adjourned.

### AFTERNOON.

House convened at two o'clock, and no quorum being present, on motion of Mr. Bishop, the House adjourned until Monday, the 25th inst., at four o'clock in the afternoon. ]

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### MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1869.

House convened at four o'clock P. M.

Journal of Friday read and approved.

No quorum being present, on motion of Mr. Bigelow, the House adjourned.

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### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Langdon of Montpelier,  
H. 44. An act relating to highways, sidewalks and drains ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 45. An act to amend chapter one hundred and twelve of the General Statutes, entitled "Of offenses against the lives and persons of individuals ;"

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bailey,

H. 46. An act in addition to "An act regulating the change of depots and stations on railways," approved November 19, 1868 ;"

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Estey,

H. 47. An act to incorporate the National Mutual Benefit Association ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Bailey presented sundry petitions asking for legislation on the subject of railway depots, as follows :

That of N. W. Westgate and one hundred and eighteen others, citizens of Grafton county, N. H. ;

That of Jonathan Johnson and twenty-six others, citizens of Bradford :

That of John Smith and fifty-seven others, citizens of Newbury ;

That of Joseph Smith and sixty others, citizens of Newbury ;

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Wales introduced a bill entitled

H. 48. An act to amend the charter of the Burlington Manufacturing Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Engrossed Bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Green Mountain Marble Company ;

H. 5. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Dairy Company ;

H. 11. An act relating to the city of Burlington and the city court of said city ;

H. 22. An act to incorporate the Springfield Flouring Mill Company ;

H. 29. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia ;

H. 38. An act providing for the ceding of the Antietam and Gettysburgh cemeteries to the United States.

On motion of Mr. Pratt, the House adjourned.

### AFTERNOON.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 29. An act relating to Phillip's Academy and to school district No. 26 in the town of Danville ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Pratt,

H. 50. An act in amendment of that portion of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled " An act to tax dogs ;"

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Bromley,

H. 51. An act in amendment of section forty-nine of chapter twelve of the General Statutes, entitled " Of county officers ;"

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Whitcomb,

H. 52. An act to incorporate Barre Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Estey,

H. 53. An act in amendment of and in addition to section three of chapter eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to the record of marriages ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Brigham of Pittsfield,

H. 54. An act changing the name of Edward Abbott and constituting him heir-at-law of Stillman and Mary Ann Atwood ;

To the General Committee.

On motion of Mr. Wood, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Perrin B. Fisk, Chaplain of the Senate.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Hill introduced a bill entitled

H. 55. An act consolidating the Bellows Falls Branch Railroad Company and the Bellows Falls Marble Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :

*To the House of Representatives now in session :*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bill, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval ;

H. 8. An act to provide for the expenses of the Council of Censors ;

Passed, October 21, 1869.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed a bill originating in the House, of the following title, viz.:

H. 8. An act to provide for the expenses of the Council of Censors.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Farnsworth,

H. 56. An act in amendment of section three of chapter thirty-six of the General Statutes, entitled " Of depositions and witnesses ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bisbee,

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Missisquoi and Clyde rivers Railroad Company, and to enable the towns in the counties of Franklin, Orleans and Essex to aid in the construction thereof ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

S. 1. An act to incorporate the Orleans County Society of Natural Sciences;

S. 15. An act to incorporate the Alburgh, Highgate and Plattsburgh Steam Ferry Company;

In the paassage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Wales,

H. 58. An act appropriating fines and costs;  
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Dike,

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Bristol Manufacturing Company;  
To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Farrar,

H. 60. An act to incorporate the Rupert Dairy Association;  
To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 61. An act in addition to and in amendment of an act entitled "An act providing for building a jail in the county of Rutland," approved November 21, 1867;

To committee consisting of the members of this House from Rutland county.

A bill entitled

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley;

Being the special order for this time, was taken up and considered.

Pending the question, shall the bill be read the third time, on motion of Mr. Walker, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have adopted a joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly to hear the report of the committee appointed to canvass votes for county and probate officers, and to elect three trustees to the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

A joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Wednesday, the 27th inst., at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, to hear the report of the Committee appointed to canvass votes for county and probate officers, and, if necessary, to complete the election of the same ; also to elect three Trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College ;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 25. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section thirteen of chapter forty-seven of the General Statutes, entitled 'Of levy of executions ;' "

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by striking out the word "*two*" before the word "*horses*," in the thirty-seventh line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*one or two*," also by inserting after the word "*team-work*" in the thirty-eighth line, the words "*or for the transaction of the ordinary business of the debtor*."

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill so amended was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Wm. P. Chamberlain presented his credentials, which were in due form, as the representative of the town of Reading, and appearing at the bar of the House, was duly sworn and admitted to his seat.



Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 20. An act in amendment of section six of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading was refused.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 28. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter eighteen of the General Statutes ;

Reported favorably ; whereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

House bill entitled

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley ;

Was taken up as unfinished business, and the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time ? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 164, nays 31.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Bromley, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abell,  
Aldrich,  
Allis,  
Andrew,  
Batcheller,  
Baldwin,  
Barnes,  
Barney,  
Barrett of Underhill,  
Bartlett,  
Bebee,  
Benedict,  
Benton.  
Bigelow,  
Bisbee,  
Bishop,  
Boyce,  
Brewster,  
Briggs,  
Brigham of Bakersfield,  
Brigham of Essex,  
Brigham of Pittsfield,  
Bromley,  
Brown of Norwich,  
Brown of Richford,  
Bull,  
Burt,

Butterfield,  
Campbell,  
Cardell,  
Carleton,  
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,  
Chase of Concord,  
Chase of Jay,  
Clark of Lincoln,  
Clark of Randolph,  
Clark of Williston,  
Cobb,  
Coburn,  
Conkey,  
Cook of Elmore,  
Curtis,  
Darling,  
Day,  
Dickey,  
Dike,  
Dutton,  
Eaton,  
Edgerton,  
Edson,  
Estey,  
Everts,  
Farman,  
Foster of Sudbury,

Foster of Wolcott,  
Freeman,  
Frisbie,  
Gambell,  
Gibb,  
Giffin,  
Gleed,  
Goodell,  
Goodsell,  
Gordon,  
Hamblet,  
Harrington,  
Hazeltine,  
Illeden,  
Hemenway,  
Hewitt,  
Hill of Hubbardton,  
Hill of Middlebury,  
Hinckley,  
Holbrook,  
Holman,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Hooker,  
Hopkins,  
Howard,  
Hubbard,

Humphrey,	Nichols of Lunenburg,	Smith of Hartland,
Hunt of Guilford,	Nickerson,	Smith of Stowe,
Hunt of St. Albans,	North,	Speaker,
Huntington,	Ober,	Stanton,
Isham,	Ormsby,	Stevens,
Jackson of Orange,	Page,	Stoddard,
Johnson of Vernon,	Palmer,	Stone,
Jones,	Parker of Lowell,	Strong,
Joyce,	Peabody,	Taylor,
Kemp,	Peak,	Thompson,
Kenaston,	Phelps,	Wales,
King of Mt. Tabor,	Pierce of Cavendish,	Walker of Clarendon,
Kingsbury,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,	Walker of Londonderry,
Kinsley,	Pratt,	Warner,
Knapp,	Reed,	Way,
Kneeland,	Remington,	Weed,
Knowlton,	Rice,	Wetherby,
Langdon of New Haven,	Ridley,	Wheat,
Lynde,	Ripley,	Wheeler,
Manning,	Rixford,	Whitcomb,
Marsh,	Ross,	White of Eden,
Mason,	Safford,	White of Springfield,
McKnight,	Sallsbury,	Whitney,
Merrill,	Scott,	Willey,
Miles,	Severance,	Williams,
Morse,	Shuffleton,	Wood,
Mowry,	Silsby,	Wooster of Marshfield—164,
Nichols of Danby,	Smith of Barnet,	

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,	Grout,	Pollard,
Bailey,	Hamilton,	Purmort,
Brewer,	Jenkins,	Richmond,
Canfield,	King of Tunbridge,	Spaulding,
Chamberlain of Reading,	Ladd,	Stuart,
Cook of West Fairlee,	Long,	Underwood,
Cowles,	Lyman,	Upham,
Deming,	Moore,	Washburn,
Dow,	Morgan,	Wheelock,
Farnsworth,	Parker of Sharon,	Worcester of Greensboro—31
Farrar,		

So the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Jones, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 3. An act for the relief of School District No. 4, in Middlebury ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; whereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Gleed, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 19. An act in relation to the appropriation of mon-  
eis for the use of schools :

Reported adversely to its passage ; whereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 12. An act relating to an increase of the rate of in-  
terest ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one by striking out all after the word "*exceeding*," in the second line, and substituting therefor "*eight per cent. for money actually loaned and not otherwise, shall hereafter be held lawful.*"

Also that the following two sections be added after section two, to be numbered sections three and four respectively :

*Sec. 3. If any person or persons shall hereafter receive a greater rate of interest than is provided for in this act, he or they shall forfeit and pay to the party or parties ten-fold, to be recovered in an action for money paid, which may be brought and tried in any court having jurisdiction of the same.*

*Sec. 4. If any person or persons shall hereafter receive a greater rate of interest than is provided for in this act, he or they shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall, for each offense, pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars.*

The question being, Shall the amendments recommended by the Committee be agreed to? the bill was

*Ordered* to lie and be made the special order for Friday next at ten and one half o'clock in the forenoon.

Mr. Wheelock, from Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 1. An act to alter the name of the Montpelier Meeting House Society, enlarge the powers thereof, and fix the time of holding the annual meeting ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in the eleventh line of the first section by adding the words "*said society*" after the word "*and*" in said eleventh line.

Also by adding the words "*shall be*" after the word "*and*" in the fourth line of the third section.

Also in line six of said section three, by adding the word "*shall*" after the word "*society*" in said line six.

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill as amended was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Senate bill entitled

S. 1. An act to incorporate the Orleans County Society of Natural Sciences ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 16. An act in amendment of section four of chapter

one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of mechanics' and other liens ;"

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth lines of the original bill, and inserting in lieu thereof "*at any time within three months from the time of filing such lien or memorandum in case such payment is due at the time of such filing, and at any time within three months from the time such payment shall become due, in case it was not due, at the time of such filing, such person.*"

The House agreeing so to amend, the bill as amended was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second times, and referred as follows:

By Mr. Benton,

H. 62. An act to incorporate the Vermont Trust Company ;

To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Barney,

H. 63. An act to incorporate the Vermont Alum Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 35. An act in amendment of No. 22, Acts of 1867, relating to married women as witnesses ;

Reported in favor of its passage"; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Richford, at four o'clock the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Ripley,

H. 64. An act to annex a part of the town of Ripton to the town of Lincoln ;

To the Committee on Town Lines.

By Mr. Wentworth,

H. 65. An act granting certain powers to Chester Academy and to school district No. 20 in Chester ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Salisbury,

H. 66. An act to change the name of Ira Coy and constitute him heir-at-law of Daniel Walker ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Frisbie,

H. 67. An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ladd,

H. 68. An act to incorporate the West Milton Cheese Manufacturing Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Purmort,

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Northern Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hill,

H. 70. An act laying a tax on the county of Addison ;

To Committee consisting of members of this House from Addison county.

By Mr. Carleton,

H. 71. An act laying a tax on the county of Washington ;

To Committee consisting of members of this House from Washington county.

Mr. Kneeland introduced a bill entitled

H. 72. An act to prevent injury to public highways ;  
Which was read the first time and its second reading refused.

Mr. Farnsworth introduced a bill entitled

H. 73. An act to pay James A. Pollard the sum therein named ;

Which was read the first time and its second reading refused.

Mr. Hunt moved that the vote by which the second reading of House bill entitled

H. 72. An act to prevent injury to public highways,  
Was refused, be reconsidered ;  
Which was agreed to—yeas 189, nays 20.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Walker, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

All's,  
Andrew,  
Batcheller,  
Bailey,  
Baldwin,  
Ballard,  
Barnes,  
Barney,  
Barrett of Underhill,  
Barrett of Weathersfield,  
Bartlett,  
Bebee,  
Benedict,  
Benton,  
Bigelow,  
Bisbee,  
Boyce,  
Brewer,  
Brewster,  
Briggs,  
Brigham of Essex,  
Brigham of Pittsfield,  
Bromley,  
Burt,  
Butterfield,  
Campbell,  
Canfield,  
Carleton,  
Carpenter,  
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,  
Chamberlain of Reading,  
Chase of Concord,  
Chase of Jay,  
Clark of Groton,  
Clark of Lincoln,  
Clark of Randolph,  
Clark of Williston,  
Cobb,

Coburn,  
Colburn,  
Conkey,  
Cook of Elmore,  
Cook of West Fairlee,  
Cowles,  
Curtis,  
Darling,  
Day,  
Dewing,  
Dickey,  
Dike,  
Divoll,  
Dow,  
Downing,  
Edgerton,  
Edson,  
Ester,  
Everts,  
Farnsworth,  
Farrar,  
Foster of Sudbury,  
Foster of Wolcott,  
Freeman,  
Frisbie,  
Gambell,  
Gay,  
Gibb,  
Giffin,  
Gleed,  
Goff,  
Goodell,  
Goodsell,  
Gordon,  
Grout,  
Grover,  
Hamilton,  
Harrington,

Hedden,  
Hemenway,  
Hewitt,  
Hill of Hubbardton,  
Hill of Middlebury,  
Hinckley,  
Holden,  
Holman,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holton,  
Hooker,  
Hopkins,  
Huckison,  
Howard,  
Hubbard,  
Humphrey,  
Hunt of St. Albans,  
Huntington,  
Isham,  
Jackson of Orange,  
Jenkins,  
Jewett,  
Jones,  
Joyce,  
Keeler,  
Kenaston,  
King of Mt. Tabor,  
King of Tunbridge,  
Kingsbury,  
Kinsley,  
Knapp,  
Kneeland,  
Knowlton,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of Montpelier,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Manning,

Marsh,  
Mason,  
McKnight,  
Merrill,  
Miles,  
Morgan,  
Morse,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Danby,  
Nichols of Lunenburg,  
Nickerson,  
North,  
Ober,  
Ormsby,  
Page,  
Palne,  
Palmer,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Parker of Sharon,  
Peabody,  
Peak,  
Phelps,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pierce of Shaftsbury,  
Pollard,

Pratt,  
Purmort,  
Reed,  
Remington,  
Reynolds,  
Richmond,  
Ridley,  
Ripley,  
Rixford,  
Ross,  
Safford,  
Salisbury.  
Scott,  
Severance,  
Shuffleton,  
Silsby,  
Smith of Barnet,  
Smith of Hartland,  
Smith of Stowe,  
Southwick,  
Spaulding,  
Speaker,  
Stanton,  
Stevens,  
Stone,

Strong,  
Staart,  
Taylor,  
Thompson,  
Underwood,  
Upham,  
Wales,  
Walker of Clarendon,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Washburn,  
Way,  
Weed,  
Wentworth,  
Wetherby,  
Wheat,  
Wheeler,  
Whitcomb,  
White of Eden,  
White of Springfield,  
Whitney,  
Willey,  
Wood,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wooster of Marshfield,  
Wright—189.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,  
Bishop,  
Brigham of Bakersfield,  
Brown of Norwich,  
Brown of Richford,  
Bull,  
Eaton,

Farman,  
Hamblet,  
Hazeltime,  
Holbrook,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Huntoon,  
Hurlburt,

Kemp,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Leonard,  
Moore,  
Soule,  
Stoddard—20.

So the vote was reconsidered; thereupon the bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. Wood moved that the vote by which the second reading of House bill entitled

H. 73. An act to pay James A. Pollard the sum therein named,

Was refused, be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to; and thereupon the bill was read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Farnsworth introduced the following resolution:

*Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Committee on the Grand List be directed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for increasing the grand list of any person whose list is too small, and to report by bill or otherwise;*

Which was read and adopted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed a bill of the following title:

S. 23. An act to amend section thirty-eight of chapter

twenty of the General Statutes, relating to the relief of the insane poor ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

House bill entitled

H. 25. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section thirteen of chapter forty-seven of the General Statutes, entitled 'Of levy of executions ;'"

Was read the third time, and the question being, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Wood, it was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time, and passed :

H. 16. An act in amendment of section four of chapter one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of mechanics' and other liens ;"

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley.

House bill entitled

H. 28. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter eighteen of the General Statutes ;

Was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Gleed, the bill was amended in its title by adding thereto the words "*relating to laying out and enlarging burial grounds.*"

House bill entitled

H. 35. An act in amendment of No. 22, Acts of 1867, relating to married women as witnesses ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled

S. 23. An act to amend section thirty-eight of chapter twenty of the General Statutes, relating to the relief of the insane poor ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

On motion of Mr. Aiken, the House adjourned.



## AFTERNOON.

Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 23. An act to amend section one of chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes, relating to the rights of married women ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

House bill entitled

H. 1. An act to alter the name of the Montpelier Meeting House Society, enlarge the powers thereof, and fix the time of holding the annual meeting ;

Was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 21. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Brown of Richford, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 53. An act in amendment of an act in addition to section three of chapter eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to the record of marriages ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. King, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 62. An act to incorporate the Vermont Trust Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 14. An act granting three days grace on all bills of exchange, notes, orders and drafts executed and made payable within this State ;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

House bill entitled

H. 3. An act for the relief of school district No. 4 in Middlebury;

Was read the third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Wood,

H. 74. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act establishing a corporation by the name of the Champlain Transportation Company;"

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 75. An act to amend section four of an act approved November 19, 1866, entitled "An act for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont;"

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Ross,

H. 76. An act in amendment of section one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to voters in town meetings;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Safford,

H. 77. An act changing the name of Joseph Weston Goodnow;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Benton,

H. 78. An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to flowage;"

To the Committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Barrett of Weathersfield,

H. 79. An act in addition to section twenty-nine of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out highways and bridges;"

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Burt,

H. 80. An act to incorporate the Lamoille Valley Junction Railroad Company;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Bigelow,

H. 81. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein named ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Whitcomb,

H. 82. An act in amendment of section one of an act to incorporate the Barre Hotel Company, approved November 12, 1859 ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Briggs,

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Brandon Cheese Factory Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wales,

H. 84. An act to incorporate the Burlington Savings Bank Trust Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 85. An act relating to the collection of taxes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Dickey, at three o'clock the House adjourned.

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## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Canfield introduced a memorial of the clergy and laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Vermont, praying for a modification of the laws relating to divorce ;

(See Appendix.)

Which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred as follows :

By Mr. Hill,

H. 86. - An act to incorporate the Home Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hill,

H. 87. An act to incorporate the Continental Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hill,

H. 88. An act to incorporate the Vale Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hill,

H. 89. An act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Dickey,

H. 90. An act to protect fish in Lymus Ponds and the waters between the same in the town of Ryegate in Caledonia county ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wales,

H. 91. An act laying a tax on the county of Chittenden ;  
To Committee consisting of the members of this House from Chittenden county.

By Mr. Aldrich,

H. 92. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodford ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Langdon of Montpelier,

H. 93. An act in amendment of an act entitled " An act to incorporate the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad Company," approved November 6, 1867 ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Farnsworth,

H. 94. An act to enable the town of Hartland to aid in bridging the Connecticut River ;

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Salisbury,

H. 95. An act to change the name of Almira S. Butter-

field and constitute her heir-at-law of Elijah P. Shattuck and Nancy Shattuck ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wales,

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter thirty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to new trials ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bigelow,

H. 97. An act fixing the salary of the Superintendent and Chaplain of the State Prison ;

To the Committee on the State Prison.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

Mr. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 38. An act providing for the ceding of the Antietam and Gettysburgh cemeteries to the United States.

H. 29. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia ;

H. 11. An act relating to the city of Burlington and the city court of said city ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 5. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Dairy Company ;

H. 4. An act to incorporate the Green Mountain Marble Company ; and

H. 22. An act to incorporate the Springfield Flouring Mill Company ;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

House bill entitled

H. 12. An act relating to an increase in the rate of interest ;

Being the special order for this time, was taken up ; Mr. Abell moved to amend by striking out the words "*money actually loaned and not otherwise.*"

The question being, Shall the bill be amended as proposed by Mr. Abell ? Mr. Wheelock moved that the bill be dismissed.

Pending the question, Shall the bill be dismissed ? the House, on motion of Mr. Scott, adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 23. An act to amend section thirty-eight of chapter twenty of the General Statutes, relating to the relief of the insane poor ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 6. An act changing the name of Eva Julia Manley, and constituting her heir-at-law of Elijah S. Mead and Rhoda Mead ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out section two, and inserting in lieu thereof the following :  
“ *This act shall not take effect until the said Elijah S. Mead and Rhoda Mead shall give their assent in writing under their hand and seal, before a Justice of the Peace, in the county of Rutland, and in the presence of two witnesses, and cause the same to be recorded in the Town Clerk's office of the town of Rutland ;*”

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 30. An act in addition to chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled “ Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;”

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 68. An act to incorporate the West Milton Cheese Manufacturing Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 15. An act to incorporate the Alburgh, Highgate and Plattsburgh Steam Ferry Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Bull, from the Committee consisting of members of this House from Addison county to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 70. An act laying a tax on the county of Addison;  
Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 23. An act to amend section one of chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes, relating to the rights of married women;

H. 21. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company;

H. 62. An act to incorporate the Vermont Trust Company.

Mr. Canfield presented sundry petitions praying for the discontinuance of two shires in Bennington county and establishing but one; as follows:

That of S. M. West and forty-one others, of the town of Arlington;

That of Philo Buck and seven others, of the town of Sunderland;

That of J. J. Hill and fourteen others, of the town of Sunderland;

That of C. P. Williams and thirty others, of the town of Peru;

That of Dexter Batchelder and thirty-five others, of the town of Peru;

That of J. R. Judson and fifty-nine others, of the town of Arlington;

That of R. M. Provan and fifty-eight others, of the town of Sandgate;

That of D. Prindle and twenty others, of the town of Sandgate;

That of J. Wilder and sixty-nine others, of town of Rupert;

That of Elias Bentley and eight others, of the town of Manchester;

That of A. E. Bartlett and thirteen others, of the town of Arlington ;

That of James H. Olin and forty-nine others, of the town of Shaftsbury ;

Which were referred to the committee consisting of the members of this House from Bennington county.

Mr. Allis, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 15. An act to amend section two of chapter one hundred and three of the General Statutes, relating to bounties on noxious animals ;

Reported in favor of its passage when amended in section one by inserting after the word "woodchuck," the word *ten* in lieu of the word *twenty-five* ;

Pending the question, Shall the bill be amended as recommended by the Committee ? on motion of Mr. Phelps, the bill was dismissed.

Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 33. An act to incorporate the Grand Isle Steamboat Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in the fifth section by striking out the words "assenting thereto," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words *and stockholders* ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Holton, from the committee consisting of the members of this House from Windham county, to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 12. An act in amendment of sections three and four of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the General Statutes, relating to forgery and counterfeiting ;

S. 16. An act relating to public easements ;

S. 24. An act to amend chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of traffic in intoxicating drinks ;"



S. 7. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes entitled 'Of the grand list;'" approved November 9, 1865;

S. 5. An act permitting parties in civil suits to challenge Jurors;

S. 3. An act in amendment of section fifteen of chapter sixty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to the limitation of actions;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 9. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Rutland and Addison to aid in the construction of the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 27. An act to alter and amend an act to incorporate the Fairfax Railroad Company;

Reported in favor of its passage when amended in section one by adding the words *at the nearest practical point*;

Which was agreed to, and the bill

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 36. An act to extend the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad;

Reported favor of its passage, when amended in section one by striking out the words "upon Lake Champlain, in the west line of the county of Addison, deemed expedient by said company," and inserting in lieu thereof the words *in the west line of Addison county, necessary for the purpose of making a railroad connection with the southern terminal point of the Whitehall and Plattsburgh Railroad, where the latter crosses Lake Champlain*;

Which was agreed to; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 52. An act to incorporate Barre Railroad Company ;  
Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one by striking out the word " Barre " after the word " to," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, *such point in Barre as said company may determine upon ;*

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 55. An act consolidating the Beldens Falls Branch Railroad Company and the Beldens Falls Marble Company ;  
Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Missisquoi and Clyde rivers Railroad Company, and to enable the towns in the counties of Franklin, Orleans and Essex to aid in the construction thereof ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Bristol Manufacturing Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

By Mr. Cowles, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 50. An act in amendment of that portion of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled " An act to tax dogs ;"

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

House bill entitled

H. 12. An act relating to an increase in the rate of interest ;

Was taken up as unfinished business, and the question being, Shall the bill be dismissed ? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 120, nays 84.

Mr. Wheelock having demanded the yeas and nays, they were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abell,	Goodell,	Nickerson,
Alden,	Goodsell,	North,
Barnes,	Gordon,	Ober,
Barrett of Underhill,	Hall,	Paine,
Bebee,	Hamblet,	Palmer,
Benedict,	Hamilton,	Parker of Lowell,
Bishop,	Harrington,	Phelps,
Boyce,	Hazeltine,	Pratt,
Roynton,	Hill of Hubbardton,	Purmort,
Brewer,	Holbrook,	Reed,
Brewster,	Holden,	Remington,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Holman,	Ridley,
Briham of Essex,	Holmes of Moretown,	Ripley,
Bromley,	Hooker,	Ross,
Brown of Norwich,	Hoskison,	Scott,
Bull,	Howard,	Severance,
Cardell,	Hubbard,	Shuffleton,
Chase of Concord,	Huntington,	Simons,
Clark of Randolph,	Huntoon,	Smith of Hartland,
Coburn,	Hurd,	Smith of Stowe,
Cook of Elmore,	Isham,	Spaulding,
Cook of West Fairlee,	Jenkins,	Stanton,
Curtis,	Jewett,	Stevens,
Darling,	Jones,	Thompson,
Deming,	Kemp,	Underwood,
Dike,	Kenaston,	Upham,
Divoll,	Kingsbury,	Walker of Clarendon,
Dow,	Knapp,	Walker of Londonderry,
Eaton,	Knowlton,	Warner,
Eligerton,	Langdon of New Haven,	Washburn,
Everts,	Leonard,	Wentworth,
Farman,	Lynde,	Wetherby,
Farnsworth,	Manning,	Wheelock,
Fenn,	McKnight,	Whitcomb,
Foster of Sudbury,	Merrill,	White of Eden,
Freeman,	Miles,	White of Springfield,
Gambell,	Morgan,	Whitney,
Giffin,	Morse,	Willey,
Gleed,	Mowry,	Worcester of Greensboro,
Goff,	Nichols of Lunenburg,	Wooster of Marshfield—120,

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,	Dickey,	Lyman,
Aldrich,	Dutton,	Marsh,
Allis,	Farrar,	Mason,
Batcheller,	Frisbie,	Moore,
Bailey,	Gay,	Nichols of Danby,
Ballard,	Gibb,	Ormsby,
Barney,	Graham,	Peabody,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Grout,	Peak,
Benton,	Grover,	Pierce of Cavendish,
Bigelow,	Hedden,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Bisbee,	Hemenway,	Reynolds,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Richmond,
Brigham of Pittsfield,	Hill of Middlebury,	Safford,
Brown of Richford,	Hinckley,	Salisbury,
Burt,	Holmes of Waterville,	Silshy,
Butterfield,	Hopkins,	Smith of Barnet,
Canfield,	Humphrey,	Soule,
Carleton,	Hunt of Guilford,	Southwick,
Carpenter,	Hunt of St. Albans,	Stoddard,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Hurlburt,	Stone,
Chamberlain of Reading,	Joyce,	Stuart,
Chase of Jay,	Keeler,	Taylor,
Clark of Groton,	King of Mt. Tabor,	Wales,
Clark of Lincoln,	Kinsley,	Weed,
Clark of Williston,	Kneeland,	Wheat,
Cobb,	Ladd,	Wheeler,
Colburn,	Langdon of Montpelier,	Wood,
Day,	Long,	Wright—84.

So the bill was dismissed.

On motion of Weed, the House adjourned.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

A communication from his Excellency, the Governor, in writing, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT, }  
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Oct. 29, 1869. }  
*To the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR: I have the honor to inform the House of Representatives that I have this day appointed Evelyn Pierpoint, of Rutland, Inspector of Finance for the year ensuing.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Ripley,

H. 98. An act in amendment of section thirty-three of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the collection of taxes ;"

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Grout,

H. 99. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Barton for the year therein named ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Dickey,

H. 100. An act in addition to chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "An act of the observance of the Sabbath and the disturbance of religious meetings ;"

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Stuart offered joint resolution as follows :

*Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont,*  
That the Secretary of State and the State Librarian be directed to deliver to the representative from the town of South Burlington for the use of said town, one copy each of all laws, journals, reports of the State Officers and reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court of this State, heretofore published, so far as the same can be done, and leave a suffi-

cient number of copies of such laws, journals and reports in their respective departments;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Wheat,

H. 101. An act in amendment of an act approved November 9, 1865, providing for taxing bank stock of non-residents;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Wales,

H. 102. An act to amend the charter of the Free Press Association;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Safford,

H. 103. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the incorporation of the Tehuantepec Railway Company," approved November 10, 1868;

To the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Safford also presented a memorial relating to the same matter;

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. Frisbie introduced a bill entitled

H. 104. An act relating to ditches and water courses;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Wood introduced a bill entitled

H. 105. An act relating to chattel mortgages;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. White of Springfield introduced a memorial in relation to Springfield Seminary;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows.

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 16. An act in amendment of section four of chapter one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of mechanics' and other liens;"

H. 28. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter

eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and enlarging burial grounds ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Bebee,

H. 106. An act to incorporate the Battenkill and Pawlet Rivers Railroad Company ;

To the committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hunt of Guilford,

H. 107. An act to incorporate the Guilford Hotel Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Harrington,

H. 108. An act changing the name of Hattie Ann Stebens and constituting her heir-at-law of Mark A. Amsden and Marriett H. Amsden ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Butterfield,

H. 109. An act to enable certain towns to aid in the construction of the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Parker,

H. 110. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Lowell for the year 1869 ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Butterfield,

H. 111. An act in amendment of sections one, nineteen, forty-four, fifty-two, fifty-four, fifty-five, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six and sixty-seven of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;"

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary :

S. 3. An act in amendment of section fourteen of chapter sixty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to limitation of actions ;

S. 5. An act permitting parties in civil suits to challenge Jurors ;

S. 7. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled 'Of the grand list,'" approved November 9, 1865;

S. 12. An act in amendment of sections three and four of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the General Statutes, relating to forgery and counterfeiting;

S. 16. An act relating to public easements.

Senate bill entitled

S. 24. An act to amend chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks;"

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed Senate bills of the following titles:

S. 34. An act changing the name of and relating to the Northfield Cemetery Association;

S. 30. An act to incorporate the Middletown Spring Company;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover;

H. 70. An act laying a tax on the county of Addison;

H. 9. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Rutland and Addison to aid in the construction of the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad;

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Missisquoi and Clyde Rivers Railroad Company, and to enable the towns in the counties of Franklin, Orleans and Essex, to aid in the construction thereof;

H. 33. An act to incorporate the Grand Isle Steamboat Company.

House bill entitled

H. 30. An act in addition to chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges;"

Was read the third time, and pending the question, Shall the bill pass? on motion, it was

*Ordered* to lie.

Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 7. An act to change the name of George O. Faskett and constitute him heir-at-law of Orville Ford ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Coburn, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 54. An act changing the name of Edward Abbott and constituting him heir-at-law of Stillman and Mary Ann Atwood ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out section two of said bill and inserting in lieu thereof the following words : “ *This act shall not take effect until the said Stillman and Mary Ann Atwood shall give their assent, in writing, under their hand and seal, before a justice of the peace in county of Rutland, and in the presence of two witnesses, and cause the same to be recorded in the town clerk’s office of said town of Pittsfield ;*”

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

House bill entitled

H. 27. An act to alter and amend an act to incorporate the Fairfax Railroad Company ;

Was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Burt, was

*Ordered* to lie and be made the special order for Wednesday next at two and one half o’clock, P. M.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 10. An act in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled “Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks ;”

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Clark, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 90. An act to protect fish in Symns Ponds and the waters between the same in the town of Ryegate in Caledonia county ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Langdon of Montpelier, from the Committee consist-



ing of the members of this House from Washington county to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 71. An act laying a tax on the county of Washington ;  
Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by inserting in the second line of the first section the word "*two* ;"

Which was agreed to, and the bill

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 58. An act relating to fines and costs ;

Reported in favor of its passage; when amended by inserting in the ninth line, after the word "*city*," the words "*or village by-laws* ;"

Which was agreed to, and the bill

*Ordered* to be read the third time Monday morning.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 67. An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time Monday morning.

Mr. Ripley, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 95. An act to change the name of Elmira S. Butterfield and constitute her heir-at-law of Elijah P. Shattuck and Nancy Shattuck ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Wales, from Committee consisting of the members of this House from Chittenden county to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 91. An act laying a tax on the county of Chittenden ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 92. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodford ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Severance introduced a bill entitled

H. 112. An act to regulate the manufacture of butter packages ;

Which was read the first and second time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Wheelock moved to reconsider the vote dismissing House bill entitled

H. 15. An act to amend section two of chapter one hundred and three of the General Statutes, relating to bounties on noxious animals ;

And pending the question, Shall the vote be reconsidered ? on motion of Mr. Bull, the motion was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Tuesday next at half past ten o'clock, A. M.

On motion of Mr. Severance, the House adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON.

Mr. Bisbee offered the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That the Hall of the House of Representatives be and the same is hereby granted to the Reunion Society of Vermont Officers for the delivery of the annual address before the same, on Thursday evening, November 4, 1869 ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Hopkins,

H. 113. An act to prevent any person from catching, carrying away and destroying any fish in the artificial pond, owned by Slocum and Paine, and known as Cushing's pond in Avery's Gore, unless by the assent of the parties therein named ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Burt,

H. 114. An act authorizing the Lamoille Valley Railroad Company to construct and extend its Railroad to Maquam Bay in the town of Swanton ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred as follows :

S. 30. An act to incorporate the Middletown Spring Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 34. An act changing the name of and relating to the Northfield Cemetery Association;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Barrett, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 77. An act changing the name of Joseph Watson Goodnow;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 43. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes entitled "Of public lands;"

Reported in favor of its passage; and pending the question, Shall the bill pass? on motion, it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Wednesday next at ten and one half o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 72. An act to prevent injury to public highways;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Gay, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 63. An act to incorporate the Vermont Alum Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Gay, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 60. An act to incorporate the Rupert Dairy Association;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 94. An act to enable the town of Hartland to aid in bridging the Connecticut River;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 44. An act relating to highways, sidewalks and drains;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

S. 2. An act defining who shall be voters in town meeting;

S. 17. An act to pay J. A. Mansur the sum therein named;

S. 20. An act to repeal "An act for the advancement of the science of medicine and surgery," approved November 10, 1868;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 51. An act in amendment of section forty-nine of chapter twelve of the General Statutes, entitled "Of county officers;"

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 56. An act in amendment of section three of chapter thirty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of depositions and witnesses;"

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third of the bill was refused.

House bill entitled

H. 6. An act changing the name of Eva Julia Manley, and constituting her heir-at-law of Elijah S. Mead and Rhoda Mead;

Was read the third time and passed.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

S. 2. An act defining who shall be voters in town meeting;

To the Committee on Elections.

S. 17. An act to pay Joseph A. Mansur the sum therein mentioned;

To the Committee on Claims.

S. 20. An act to repeal "An act for the advancement of the science of medicine and surgery," approved November 10, 1868;

To the Committee on Education.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 36. An act to extend the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad;

H. 52. An act to incorporate Barre Railroad Company;

H. 55. An act consolidating the Beldens Falls Branch Railroad Company and the Beldens Falls Marble Company;

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Bristol Manufacturing Company;

H. 68. An act to incorporate the West Milton Cheese Manufacturing Company.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bill of the following title:

H. 62. An act to incorporate the Vermont Trust Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second times, and referred as follows:

By Mr. Gibbs,

H. 115. An act changing the name of Eddie Dearborn, and constituting him heir-at-law of William and Jane L. Cheney;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Cardell,

H. 116. An act legalizing the Grand Lists of the town of Warren for the years therein named;

To the Committee on Grand List.

By Mr. Dike,

H. 117. An act to incorporate the Addison County Lumber and Wood Manufacturing Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Bromley moved to reconsider the vote dismissing House bill entitled

H. 12. An act relating to an increase of the rate of interest ;

And pending the question, Shall the vote be reconsidered ?

On motion of Mr. Joyce, it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Tuesday at two and one half o'clock, P. M.

House bill entitled

H. 30. An act in addition to chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled " Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;"

Was taken up, and pending the question, Shall the bill be read the third time ? on motion of Mr. Hinckley, it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Wednesday at two and one half o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Hopkins moved to reconsider the vote dismissing House bill entitled

H. 50. An act in amendment of that portion of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled " An act to tax dogs,"

And that the motion be

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Thursday next at ten and one half o'clock, A. M.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Pratt offered the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That a Committee of two Senators and three representatives be appointed by the presiding officer of each House respectively, to fix on the earliest day possible, consistent with the business of the session, for the final adjournment of the General Assembly, and report as soon as practicable ;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Ladd, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Mr. Harris of Montpelier.

Journal of Saturday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Scott,

H. 118. An act in amendment of the existing law relating to the sale of the estates of deceased persons ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bull,

H. 119. An act abolishing the office of superintendent of common schools ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Whitcomb,

H. 120. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington and Orange to aid in the construction of the Barre Railroad ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Chase of Jay,

H. 121. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Jay for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Knowlton,

H. 122. An act laying a tax on lands in the town of Stratton ;

To the Committee on Land Taxes.

By Mr. Graham,

H. 123. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Winhall for the year 1869 ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 7. An act to change the name of George O. Foskett and constitute him heir-at-law of Orville Ford ;

H. 57. An act changing the name of Edward Abbott

and constituting him heir-at-law of Stillman and Mary Ann Atwood ;

H. 77. An act changing the name of Joseph Watson Goodnow ;

H. 95. An act to change the name of Elmira S. Butterfield and constitute her heir-at-law of Elijah P. Shattuck and Nancy Shattuck ;

H. 92. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodford ;

H. 71. An act laying a tax on the county of Washington ;

H. 91. An act laying a tax on the county of Chittenden ;

H. 60. An act to incorporate the Rupert Dairy Association ;

H. 63. An act to incorporate the Vermont Alum Company ;

H. 94. An act to enable the town of Hartland to aid in bridging the Connecticut River ;

H. 58. An act appropriating fines and costs ;

H. 67. An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables.

H. 90. An act to protect fish in Symns Ponds and the waters between the same in the town of Ryegate in Caledonia county ;

Was read the third time, and the question being, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Bigelow moved that the bill be dismissed.

And pending the question, Shall the bill be dismissed? Mr. Frisbie moved that the motion be

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for to-morrow at two and one-half o'clock, A. M.

On motion of Mr. Frisbie, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Mr. Severance introduced a bill entitled

H. 124. An act entitled an act to amend an act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of District Schools in certain cases ;



Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Education:

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

Mr. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered a joint resolution granting the use of the Hall of the House to the Re-Union Society of Vermont Officers, and a joint resolution instructing the Secretary of State and State Librarian, to deliver certain books to the Representative from South Burlington;

And have resolved to concur therein.

They have also considered House bill of the following title:

H. 35. An act in amendment of No. 22, acts of 1867, relating to married women as witnesses;

And have passed the same in concurrence with proposals of amendment,

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have also considered House bill entitled

H. 1. An act to alter the name of the Montpelier Meeting House Society, enlarge the powers thereof, and fix the time for holding the annual meeting;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Mr. Hubbard, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Brandon Cheese Factory Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Carpenter, from the Committee on Town Lines to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 24. An act entitled "An act making the Winooski river the boundary line between the towns of Williston and Jericho;"

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Phelps introduced a bill entitled

H. 125. An act in amendment of section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of Process and other matters;"

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Aldrich introduced a bill entitled

H. 126. An act to incorporate the Wallomsac Railroad Company;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Colton, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 66. An act to change the name of Ira Coy and constitute him heir-at-law of Daniel Walker;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Southwick introduced a bill entitled

H. 127. An act to incorporate A. W. Gray and Son's Horse Power Company;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

House bill entitled

H. 35. An act in amendment of No. 22, Acts of 1867, relating to married women as witnesses;

Was taken up, having been returned from the Senate with the following proposals of amendment, by striking out all of "section one," and substituting therefor the following:

*SECTION 1. Section twenty-seven of chapter thirty-six of the General Statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: No married woman shall be disqualified as a witness in any civil suit or proceeding at law, or in equity, prosecuted in the name of, or against her husband; Provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize or permit any married woman to testify to any admissions or conversations of her husband, whether made to herself or to third persons;*

Pending the question, Will the House concur in the amendments as propose by the Senate?

On motion of Mr. Canfield, the bill was

*Ordered* to lie.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 110. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Lowell for the year 1869;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 99. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Barton for the year therein named;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Washburn introduced a bill entitled

H. 128. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Starksboro for the years 1868 and 1869;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Grand List.

On motion of Mr. Peabody, the House adjourned.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Grout,

H. 129. An act regulating to mill and other dams;  
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Dyke,

H. 130. An act laying a tax on the lands in Avery's and Buel's Gore, in the county of Chittenden;  
To the Committee on Land Taxes.

By Mr. Brigham of Bakersfield,

H. 131. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bakersfield for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869;  
To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Ladd,

H. 132. An act to amend an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864;

To a Committee consisting of the members of this House from Chittenden county.

By Mr. Southwick,

H. 133. An act to change the name of James Granger ;  
To the General Committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered a joint resolution relating to adjournment;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

Mr. Harry H. Niles presented his credentials in due form as the representative of the town of Thetford, received the oaths of office, and was admitted to his seat in the House.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Wales,

H. 134. An act to incorporate the People's Gas Light Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Richmond,

H. 135. An act in alteration of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, entitled "Justices of the Peace;"

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Gleed,

H. 136. An act in relation to Trustee Process ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Eaton,

H. 137. An act relating to the division of public monies among the School Districts ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Pratt,

H. 138. An act in amendment of sections fourteen and fifteen of chapter one hundred and two of the General Statutes relating to fences ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill entitled

H. 15. An act to amend section two of chapter one hun-

dred and three of the General Statutes, relating to bounties on noxious animals :

Was taken up as the special order for this time, and the question being, Shall the vote dismissing the bill be reconsidered? it was decided in the affirmative.

The proposals of amendment reported by the Committee were then agreed to, and the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time?

It was decided in the negative—yeas 95, nays 105.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Ober, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Edgerton,	Merrill,
Alden,	Edson,	Miles,
Bailey,	Foster of Sudbury,	Moore,
Barney,	Gay,	Page,
Barrett of Underhill,	Gibb,	Palne,
Bartlett,	Gleed,	Palmer,
Bebee,	Goodsell,	Parker of Sharon,
Benton,	Graham,	Peak,
Brewster,	Grover,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Bromley,	Hamblet,	Pollard,
Brown of Norwich,	Hamilton,	Pratt,
Brown of Richford,	Harrington,	Remington,
Bull,	Hedden,	Richmond,
Cardell,	Hemenway,	Ridley,
Carleton,	Hewitt,	Safford,
Clark of Groton,	Hill of Hubbardton,	Scott,
Clark of Lincoln,	Hinckley,	Shuffleton,
Clark of Randolph,	Holbrook,	Silsby,
Cobb,	Holton,	Simons,
Colburn,	Hooker,	Smith of Barnet,
Conkey,	Hopkins,	Smith of Hartland,
Cook of West Fairlee,	Hoskison,	Taylor,
Cowles,	Howard,	Thompson,
Curtis,	Hunt of St. Albans,	Underwood,
Darling,	Huntoon,	Walker of Clarendon,
Day,	Hurd,	Washburn,
Deming,	Isham,	Way,
Dike,	Johnson of Vernon,	Weed,
Divoll,	Joyce,	Wheelock,
Dow,	Knapp,	Whitcomb,
Downing,	Knowlton,	White of Springfield,
Eaton,	Manning,	Wooster of Marshfield—95.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Abell,	Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Gordon,
Aldrich,	Chase of Concord,	Grout,
Allis,	Chase of Jay,	Hall,
Baldwin,	Coburn,	Hazeltine,
Ballard,	Cook of Elmore,	Hill of Middlebury,
Barnes,	Dickey,	Holden,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Dutton,	Holman,
Benedict,	Estey,	Holmes of Moretown,
Bigelow,	Everts,	Holmes of Waterville,
Bisbee,	Farman,	Hubbard,
Bishop,	Farnsworth,	Humphrey,
Boyce,	Farrar,	Hunt of Guilford,
Boynton,	Foster of Wolcott,	Hurlburt,
Brewer,	Frisbie,	Jackson of Pantan,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Gambell,	Jewett,
Burt,	Giffin,	Johnson of Sherburne,
Butterfield,	Goff,	Jones,
Carpenter,	Goodell,	Keeler,

Kemp,  
Kenaston,  
King of Mt. Tabor,  
Kingsbury,  
Kneeland,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of Montpelier,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Lynde,  
Mason,  
McKnight,  
Morgan,  
Morso,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Danby,  
Nichols of Lunenburg,

Nickerson,  
Niles,  
North,  
Ober,  
Ormsby,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Peabody,  
Phelps,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Purmort,  
Reed,  
Reynolds,  
Ripley,  
Rixford,  
Ross,  
Salisbury,  
Severance,

Smith of Stowe,  
Soule,  
Southwick,  
Spaulding,  
Stoddard,  
Stone,  
Stuart,  
Upham,  
Wales,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Wentworth,  
Wetherby,  
Wheat,  
White of Eden,  
Whitney,  
Willey,  
Worcester of Gr'nshoro- 105.

On motion of Mr. Wentworth, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Mr. George Eddy presented his credentials in due form as the representative of the town of Glastenbury, received the oaths of office and was admitted to his seat in the House.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 3. An act in amendment of section fifteen of chapter sixty-three of the General Statutes, in relation to the limitation of actions;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read a third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Canfield, from the same Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 7. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled 'Of the grand list,'" approved November 9, 1865;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Dickey, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 39. An act in amendment of section fifteen of chapter sixty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "The limitations of real and personal actions and rights of entry;"

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Butterfield, from the same Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 5. An act permitting parties in civil suits to challenge jurors;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Butterfield, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter thirty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to new trials;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Dickey, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 100. An act in addition to chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "An act of the observance of the Sabbath and the disturbance of religious meetings;"

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in line twenty-two of section one, by placing the figure three after the figure nine, so that it will read ninety-three instead of ninety-six.

Also, by adding the words "*to law*" after the word "*according*" in the last line of said section;

Which were agreed to; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed a bill of the following title:

S. 18. An act relating to drains and common sewers;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:  
*To the House of Representatives now in session:*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval:

H. 1. An act to alter the name of the Montpelier Meeting House Society, enlarge the powers thereof, and fix the time of holding the annual meeting;

H. 11. An act relating to the city of Burlington and the city court of said city;

H. 16. An act in amendment of section four of chapter one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of mechanics' and other liens;"

H. 28. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and enlarging burial grounds;

H. 29. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia;

H. 38. An act providing for the ceding of the Antietam and Gettysburgh cemeteries to the United States.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz:

H. 1. An act to alter the name of the Montpelier Meeting House Society, enlarge the powers thereof, and fix the time of holding the annual meeting;

H. 11. An act relating to the city of Burlington and the city court of said city;

H. 16. An act in amendment of section four of chapter one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of mechanics' and other liens;"

H. 28. An act in amendment of section nine of chapter eighteen of the General Statutes, relating to laying out and enlarging burial grounds;

H. 29. An act laying a tax on the county of Caledonia;

H. 38. An act providing for the ceding of the Antietam and Gettysburgh cemeteries to the United States.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Frisbie,

H. 139. An act to incorporate the American Trust Company;

To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Hinckley,

H. 140. An act to enable the proprietors and pew owners of the union meeting house in Corinth to dispose of the same;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.



By Mr. Ross,

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond ;  
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Bigelow,

H. 142. An act to repeal an act approved November 1, 1867, entitled "An act to protect fish in Ticklenacked Pond ;"

To the General Committee.

House bill entitled

H. 90. An act to protect fish in Symns Ponds and the waters between the same in the town of Ryegate in Caledonia county,

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, Shall the bill be dismissed ? it was decided in the negative ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed.

House bill entitled

H. 12. An act relating to an increase in the rate of interest,

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, Shall the vote dismissing the bill be reconsidered ? it was decided in the negative.

Senate bill entitled

S. 18. An act relating to drains and common sewers ;

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the General Committee.

On motion of Mr. Ballard, the House adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Joint resolution by Mr. Barnes, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly on Tuesday

next at three o'clock, P. M., to elect a Chief Judge and five Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of this State; also to elect a Reporter of the decisions of said court for the year ensuing;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 143. An act in amendment of section seven of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Killington Railroad Company," approved November 19, 1868;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Bisbee,

H. 144. An act in addition to chapter ninety of the General Statutes;

To the Committee on Education.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 52. An act to incorporate the Barre Railroad Company;

H. 67. An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables;

H. 71. An act laying a tax on the county of Washington;

H. 91. An act laying a tax on the county of Chittenden;  
And have passed the same in concurrence.

House bill entitled

H. 43. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes, entitled "Of public lands,"

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was

*Ordered* to lie.

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Barnes,

H. 145. An act to incorporate the Vergennes Navigation Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Estey,

H. 146. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Phoenix Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Alden,

H. 147. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Kingsbury,

H. 148. An act incorporating the town of Stannard;

To the Committee on Town Lines.

By Mr. Chamberlin of Craftsbury,

H. 149. An act for paying Ira H. Dutton the amount therein named;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 150. An act relating to "The Company for rendering Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls;"

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Bisbee,

H. 151. An act to pay Milton Clark the sum therein named;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Wetherby,

H. 152. An act laying a tax on the county of Lamoille;

To a Committee of members of this House from Lamoille county.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 6. An act changing the name of Eva Julia Manley and constituting her heir-at-law of Elijah S. Mead and Rhoda Mead;

H. 7. An act to change the name of George O. Foskett and constitute him heir-at-law of Orville Ford;

H. 54. An act changing the name of Edward Abbott and constituting him heir-at-law of Stillman and Mary Ann Atwood;

H. 58. An act appropriating fines and costs;

H. 77. An act changing the name of Joseph Watson Goodnow ;

H. 95. An act to change the name of Elmira S. Butterfield and constitute her heir-at-law of Elijah P. Shattuck and Nancy Shattuck ;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

The Senate on their part have adopted a joint resolution granting the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives to the Rev. Collins Stone ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Knowlton introduced the petition of W. H. Estabrook and forty others, praying for a tax on lands in the town of Stratton ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Land Taxes.

Mr. Colburn introduced the remonstrances of

J. M. Granger and thirty others of the town of Sunderland ;

A. L. Miner and three hundred and twenty-five others of the town of Manchester ;

Asa Utley and thirty-four others of the town of Landgrove ;

Jonathan Hapgood and four others of the town of Peru ;

Joseph R. Utley and sixteen others of the town of Peru ;

Amori Benson and fourteen others of the town of Landgrove ;

Against any legislation altering the shires of the county of Bennington ;

Which were referred to the select Committee on that subject.

A joint resolution by Mr. Bisbee, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That the Representatives' Hall be tendered to the Rev. Collins Stone, Superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, Hartford, Conn., that he may exhibit to the members of this Legislature, at three o'clock this afternoon, some of the mute children from this State that have been educated at the institution over which he has the superintendence.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Long,

H. 153. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Peru ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Graham,

H. 154. An act to incorporate the Manchester and Jamaica Railroad Company;

To the Committee on Railroads.

Bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 66. An act to change the name of Ira Coy and constitute him heir-at-law of Daniel Walker;

H. 99. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Barton for the year therein named;

H. 110. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Lowell for the year 1869;

H. 100. An act in addition to chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "An act of the observance of the Sabbath and the disturbance of religious meetings;"

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter thirty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to new trials;

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Brandon Cheese Factory Company.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 116. An act legalizing the Grand List of the town of Warren for the years therein named;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Upham, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 121. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Jay for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Upham, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 123. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Winhall for the year 1869;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Upham, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 128. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Starksboro for the years 1868 and 1869;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Wales, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 65. An act granting certain powers to Chester Academy and to school district No. 20 in Chester ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 79. An act in addition to section twenty-nine of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled " Of laying out highways and bridges ;"

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Carleton, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 20. An act to repeal "An act for the advancement of the science of medicine and surgery," approved November 10, 1868 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read a third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Hinckley, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 17. An act to pay Joseph A. Mansur the sum therein mentioned ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read a third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Estey, from the Committee on Manufactures to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 78. An act to amend an act entitled " An act relating to flowage ;"

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 31. An act in amendment of an act incorporating Springfield Wesleyan Seminary, approved November 26, 1853 ;

Reported the following substitute bill :

H. 155. An act in amendment of an " Act incorporating the Springfield Wesleyan Seminary," approved November 26, 1853 ;

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State Vermont :*

SECTION 1. *The Trustees of Springfield Wesleyan Seminary, a literary institution incorporated by act of the Legislature, approved November 26, 1853, and located in the town of Springfield, and county of Windsor, having sold the property of said Institution, and met all claims existing against it, the said Trustees are hereby authorized and empowered to pay the sum of three thousand dollars, remaining in their hands resulting from the aforesaid sales, to the Trustees of the Vermont Conference Seminary and Female College, incorporated by act of the Legislature, approved November, A. D. 1865, and located at Montpelier, in the county of Washington ;*

Which was read the first and second time, and  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 85. An act relating to the collection of taxes ;  
Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 89. An act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out in line twelve, section five, the words, " assenting thereto ; "

Which was agreed to, and the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Brown, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 113. An act to prevent any person from catching, carrying away and destroying any fish in the artificial pond, owned by Slocum and Paine, and known as Cushing's pond in Avery's Gore, unless by the consent of the parties therein named ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

On motion of Mr. Canfield, the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

Mr. Page, from the committee consisting of the members of this House from Lamoille county to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 152. An act laying a tax on the county of Lamoille ;  
Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Gleed, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 124. An act entitled an act to amend an act to amend section forty of chapter twenty-two of the General Statutes, relating to the providing of District Schools in certain cases ;  
Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third of the bill was refused.

Mr. Hooker, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 133. An act to change the name of James Granger ;  
Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 109. An act to enable certain towns to aid in the construction of the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 120. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington and Orange to aid in the construction of the Barre Railroad ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Langdon of Montpelier,

H. 156. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, and to extend its powers ;

To the Committee on Corporations.



By Mr. Johnson of Sherburne,

H. 157. An act relating to the assessment of State taxes;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Hunt, of St. Albans,

H. 158. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the National Trust Company, approved November 19, 1868

To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Gleed,

H. 159. An act in amendment of an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled "An act defining the qualifications of voters in school meetings;"

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Wales,

H. 160. An act to amend chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to registration of births, marriages and deaths;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Carpenter,

H. 161. An act in addition to section fifty-three of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to selectmen;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Underwood,

H. 162. An act to repeal sections forty-one, forty-two and forty-three of chapter twenty-five of the General Statutes, relating to damages upon highways;

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Briggs,

H. 163. An act changing the name of the Brandon Mineral Paint Company to the Leicester Mineral Paint Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Severance moved that the vote refusing the third reading to House bill entitled

H. 72. An act to prevent injury to public highways, Be reconsidered; which was disagreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Governor has returned to the Senate, without his approval, and with his objections thereto in writing, Senate bill entitled

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S. 15. An act to incorporate the Alburgh, Highgate and Plattsburgh Steam Ferry Company.

The Senate have reconsidered the bill, and do not pass the same notwithstanding the objections of the Executive.

Mr. Reynolds, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 34. An act to change the name of Rosan B. Leathers ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Reynolds, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 104. An act relating to ditches and water courses ;  
Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

House bill entitled

H. 27. An act to alter and amend an act to incorporate the Fairfax Railroad Company,

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, Shall the bill pass ? it was decided in the affirmative.

House bill entitled

H. 30. An act in addition to chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled " Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges,"

Was taken up as the special order, considered, and

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order to-morrow at ten and one half o'clock, A. M.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :  
*To the House of Representatives now in session :*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bill, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval :

H. 62. An act to incorporate the Vermont Trust Company.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

Mr. Graham, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 18. An act relating to drains and common sewers ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and its passage refused.

On motion of Mr. Bisbee, the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday was read, corrected and approved.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed Senate bills of the following titles:

S. 35. An act to regulate trials in justice courts;

S. 42. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the incorporation of the Tehuantepec Railway Company," approved November 10, 1868;

S. 56. An act in relation to the Vermont Historical Society:

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Estey,

H. 164. An act relating to railroads;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 165. An act to incorporate the Rutland and Bethel Railroad Company;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ormsby,

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas Manufacturing Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

House bill entitled

H. 50. An act in amendment of that portion of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "An act to tax dogs,"

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, Shall the vote whereby the third reading of the bill was refused, be reconsidered? it was decided in the negative.

House bill entitled

H. 30. An act in addition to chapter twenty-four of the

General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges;"

Being the special order for this time, was taken up, and the question being, Shall the bill pass? it was decided in the negative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 59. An act to incorporate the Bristol Manufacturing Company;

H. 60. An act to incorporate the Rupert Dairy Association;

H. 63. An act to incorporate the Vermont Alum Company;

H. 68. An act to incorporate the West Milton Cheese Manufacturing Company;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Frisbie, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 142. An act to repeal an act approved November 1, 1867, entitled "An act to protect fish in Ticklenacked Pond;"

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 111. An act in amendment of sections one, nineteen, forty-four, fifty-two, fifty-four, fifty-five, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six and sixty-seven of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges;"

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 89. An act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company ;

H. 152. An act laying a tax on the county of Lamoille ;

H. 85. An act relating to the collection of taxes ;

H. 116. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Warren for the years herein named ;

H. 121. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Jay for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 123. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Winhall for the year 1869 ;

H. 128. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Starksboro for the years 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 34. An act to change the name of Rosan R. Leathers ;

H. 79. An act in addition to section twenty-nine of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out highways and bridges ;"

H. 78. An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to flowage ;"

H. 155. An act in amendment of an act passed November 26, A. D. 1853, incorporating the Springfield Wesleyan Seminary ;

H. 109. An act to enable certain towns to aid in the construction of the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad ;

H. 120. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington and Orange to aid in the construction of the Barre Railroad ;

H. 65. An act granting certain powers to Chester Academy and to school district number twenty in Chester ;

H. 104. An act relating to ditches and water courses.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 3. An act for the relief of School District No. 4, in Middlebury ;

H. 94. An act to enable the town of Hartland to aid in bridging the Connecticut River ;

H. 92. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodford ;

H. 70. An act laying a tax on the county of Addison ;

H. 36. An act to extend the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad ;

H. 21. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

The Senate have adopted on their part a joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives :*

That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives at half past two o'clock, this afternoon, for the purpose of electing three trustees of the Vermont Reform School for the year ensuing ;

Which was read and adopted in concurrence.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed a bill originating in the House, of the following title, viz :

H. 62. An act to incorporate the Vermont Trust Company.

Mr. Cowles, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 115. An act changing the name of Eddie Dearborn and constituting him heir-at-law of William and Jane L. Cheney ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 35. An act to regulate trials in justice courts ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 42. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the incorporation of the Tehuantepec Railway Company," approved November 10, 1868 ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

S. 56. An act in relation to the Vermont Historical Society ;

To the Committee on Education.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 84. An act to incorporate the Burlington Trust Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out sections four, five and six ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Walker of Londonderry, the House adjourned.

### AFTERNOON.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 131. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bakersfield for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Upham, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 153. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Peru ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Joyce, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 2. An act defining who shall be voters in town meeting ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in the first section, in lines four, six and twelve, by inserting the words "*or city*" after the word "*town*" in each of said lines ;

Which was agreed to.

Also in the first section, in line ten, by inserting after the word "*years*" the words "*or who may be exempt from taxation by reason of any special law exempting them ;*" the question being, Shall the proposal of amendment be agreed to ? Mr. Chase of Jay moved to amend by inserting after the word "*taxation*" the words *by the listers on account of poverty or ;*"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the proposal of amendment, as amended, was agreed to, and the bill as amended

was read the third time, and passed in concurrence with proposals of amendment.

Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 98. An act in amendment of section thirty-three of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the collection of taxes;"

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 42. An act in amendment of and in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks;"

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section six, line ten, by inserting after the word "*judgment*" the words "*in case no appeal be taken;*" also by striking out section eight and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "*Whenever any person in a state of intoxication shall wilfully commit any injury upon the person or property of any other individual, any person who by himself, his clerk or servant, shall have unlawfully sold or furnished any part of the liquor causing such intoxication, shall be liable to the party injured for all damage occasioned by the injury so done, to be recovered in the same form of action as such intoxicated person would be liable to; and both such parties may be joined in the same action; and in case of the death or disability of any person, either from the injury received as herein specified, or in consequence of intoxication from the use of liquors unlawfully furnished, as aforesaid, any person who shall be in any manner dependent on such injured person for means of support, or any party on whom such injured person may be dependent, may recover from the person unlawfully selling or furnishing any such liquor as aforesaid, all damage or loss sustained in consequence of such injury, in any court having jurisdiction in such cases, and coverture or infancy shall be no bar to proceedings for recovery in any case arising under this act,*"

Which was agreed to, and the bill

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that



the Senate have considered a joint resolution providing for a Joint Assembly to elect Judges of the Supreme Court ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

They have also considered House bill of the following title :

H. 66. An act to change the name of Ira Coy and constitute him heir-at-law of Daniel Walker ;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

They have passed Senate bills of the following titles :

S. 47. An act in addition to an act establishing the Rutland Graded Schools, approved March 28, 1867 ;

S. 52. An act for the incorporation of the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont ;

S. 53. An act to pay Emory H. Clark the sum therein named ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 47. An act in addition to an act to establish Rutland graded schools, approved March 28, 1867 ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 53. An act to pay Emory H. Clark the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

S. 52. An act for the incorporation of the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont ;

To the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Peabody, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 81. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein named ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line six, by striking out the words "*two hundred*," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*one hundred and fifty* ;"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 102. An act to amend the charter of the Free Press Association ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line ten, so as to read *one-third*; and by adding to said section one in the last line the words, *no stocks of class number one shall be owned or held by owners of class number two*; and that section two be amended so as to read: *This act shall take effect when accepted by a vote of two-thirds of the stockholders of the association*;

Which was agreed to; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

The Speaker announced as joint committee on the part of the House to fix on a day for a final adjournment:

Mr. Pratt of Pomfret,  
“ Morgan of Rochester,  
“ Shuffleton of Sunderland.

Mr. Gleed, for the Committee on the Reform School, asked and had leave to sit during the session of the House.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:  
*To the House of Representatives now in session*:

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval:

H. 3. An act for the relief of School District No. 4, in Middlebury;

H. 36. An act to extend the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad;

H. 52. An act to incorporate Barre Railroad Company;

H. 67. An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables;

H. 70. An act laying a tax on the county of Addison;

H. 71. An act laying a tax on the county of Washington;

H. 91. An act laying a tax on the county of Chittenden;

H. 92. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodford;

H. 94. An act to enable the town of Hartland to aid in bridging the Connecticut River;

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

On motion of Mr. Dickey, the House adjourned.

· FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Rev. Mr. Pitman of Swanton.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Johnson of Sherburne,

H. 167. An act in addition to section nineteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the reappraisal of real estate in certain cases ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Rice,

H. 168. An act in addition to chapter seventy-eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of grist-mills ;"

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Willey,

H. 169. An act to protect fish in Milligan Pond ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Hunt of Guilford,

H. 170. An act relating to Library Associations ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Bromley,

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Mt. Tabor Mineral Spring and Hotel Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hunt of St. Albans,

H. 172. An act entitled an act for the relief of Gilmore & Brainerd of St. Albans, Vt. ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Stanton,

H. 173. An act to pay Orrin W. Orcutt the sum therein named ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Clark of Randolph,

H. 174. An act relating to the Normal Schools of this State ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Stevens,

H. 175. An act to incorporate the Colchester Butter and Cheese Manufacturing Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Hunt of St. Albans,

H. 176. An act in addition to sections seventy-six and seventy-seven of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hunt of St. Albans,

H. 177. An act in relation to continuances of causes ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Nichols of Danby,

H. 178. An act to incorporate the Mount Holly and Danby Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hunt of St. Albans,

H. 179. An act in relation to assignment of cases for trial ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Joyce presented the remonstrances of Curtis Brown and forty-four others ;

J. O. Wescot and thirty-eight others ;

Ambrose Chase and fifty-eight others ;

Against House bill entitled

H. 37. An act to empower persons therein named to improve the Gihen and Belvidere Branches ;

Which were read and referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Frisbie moved that the vote refusing the third reading of House bill entitled

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond ;

Be recommitted,

Which was agreed to ; thereupon on motion of Mr. Frisbie, the bill was recommitted to the General Committee.

On motion of Mr. Joyce, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Mr. Wales, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 47. An act in addition to an act establishing Rutland graded school, approved March 28, 1867 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Wales, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 49. An act relating to Phillips Academy and to school district No. 26 in the town of Danville ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out sections ten and eleven, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words as

SECTION 10. *School district No. 21 in Danville aforesaid, may, on a two-thirds vote of the voters in said district present at any regular school-meeting held for that purpose in accordance with the statute regulating school-meetings, unite with said school district No. 26, and the property of said district No. 21 shall thereupon vest in school district No. 26, and may be sold and conveyed by the prudential committee of the same, provided said school district No. 21 take action under this section on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1870.*

Also that the numbers of sections twelve, thirteen and fourteen be respectively changed to eleven, twelve and thirteen ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 16. An act relating to public easements ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Page, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 53. An act to pay Emory H. Clark the sum therein named ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have adopted on their part a joint resolution relating to geological report;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have also considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 9. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Rutland and Addison to aid in the construction of the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad;

H. 55. An act consolidating the Belden Falls Branch Railroad Company and the Belden Falls Marble Company;

H. 99. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Barton for the year therein named;

H. 110. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Lowell for the year 1869;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have considered House bill of the following title:

H. 83. An act to incorporate the Brandon Cheese Factory Company;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 118. An act in amendment of the existing law relating to the sale of the estates of deceased persons;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to return herewith to the House of Representatives House bill No. 67, entitled "An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables," without his approval, and with his objections thereto in writing.

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 5, 1869. }

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR: I return herewith to the House of Representatives, without my approval, a bill originating in the House, entitled "An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter

fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables."

This bill purports to be a substitute for section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes. It was in fact intended as a substitute for section eighty-one. Section eighty-two provides, that towns may agree with some person to fill the office of first constable, and will stand repealed if this bill should become a law. It is obvious, that ~~no~~ such purpose was intended, and that the mistake in naming the section to be amended was a mere inadvertence.

As this bill is beyond the reach of amendment, and as I am satisfied that, if approved, it would have an effect not intended by the Legislature, I respectfully return it to the House for their further consideration.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 125. An act in amendment of section twenty-five of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of Process and other matters;"

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to lie.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 157. An act relating to the assessment of State taxes;

Reported in favor of its passage; whereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

House bill entitled

H. 67. An act in amendment of section eighty-two of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables,

Was taken up, having been returned by the Governor with his objections thereto; the question being, Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Executive notwithstanding? it was decided in the negative—yeas 0, nays 152.

The yeas and nays being demanded by the rule, they were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Yeas none.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,  
Aldrich,  
Allis,  
Batcheller,  
Bailey,  
Baldwin,  
Barnes,  
Barney,  
Barrett of Weathersfield,  
Bartlett,  
Benton,  
Blabee,  
Bishop,  
Boyes,  
Boynton,  
Brewer,  
Brigham of Bakersfield,  
Briham of Essex,  
Bromley,  
Brown of Norwich,  
Brown of Richford,  
Bull,  
Butterfield,  
Carleton,  
Chamberlain of Reading,  
Chase of Concord,  
Chase of Jay,  
Clark of Randolph,  
Cobb,  
Coburn,  
Colburn,  
Cook of West Fairlee,  
Cowles,  
Curtis,  
Darling,  
Day,  
Dickey,  
Dike,  
Downing,  
Dutton,  
Eddy,  
Elgerton,  
Edson,  
Farnsworth,  
Farrar,  
Fenn,  
Foster of Sudbury,  
Freeman,  
Frisbie,  
Gambell,  
Gay,

Gibb,  
Giffin,  
Goodell,  
Goodrich,  
Goodsell,  
Graham,  
Hall,  
Hamblet,  
Hamilton,  
Hazeltime,  
Hemenway,  
Hewitt,  
Hill of Middlebury,  
Hinckley,  
Holbrook,  
Holden,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Hopkins,  
Humphrey,  
Hunt of Guilford,  
Huntoon,  
Hurd,  
Hurlburt,  
Isham,  
Jackson of Panton,  
Jenkins,  
Jewett,  
Johnson of Sherburne,  
Johnson of Vernon,  
Joyce,  
Kemp,  
Kingsbury,  
Knapp,  
Kneeland,  
Knowlton,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of Montpelier,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Leonard,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Lynde,  
Manning,  
Marsh,  
Mason,  
Merrill,  
Miles,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Danby,  
Nichols of Lunenburg,

Nickerson,  
North,  
Ober,  
Page,  
Paine,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Peabody,  
Peak,  
Phelps,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pratt,  
Purmort,  
Reed,  
Reynolds,  
Rice,  
Richmond,  
Ridley,  
Ripley,  
Ross,  
Sallsbury,  
Scott,  
Severance,  
Shuffeton,  
Silaby,  
Simons,  
Smith of Barnet,  
Smith of Hartland,  
Stanton,  
Stevens,  
Stoddard,  
Strong,  
Stuart,  
Taylor,  
Thompson,  
Upham,  
Wales,  
Walker of Clarendon,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Warner,  
Way,  
Weed,  
Wentworth,  
Wetherby,  
Wheat,  
Wheelock,  
Whitney,  
Willey,  
Williams,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wooster of Marshfield,  
Wright—153.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 162. An act to repeal sections forty-one, forty-two and forty-three of chapter twenty-five of the General Statutes, relating to damages upon highways;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of said bill was refused.

Mr. Baldwin, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 56. An act in relation to the Vermont Historical Society;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read a third time and passed in concurrence.



Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That each Academy in the State shall be entitled to receive from the State a copy of the Vermont Geological Report of 1861, on satisfactory proof being made to the State Librarian that such institution has not already received a copy from the State ;

Which was read and adopted in concurrence.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that he has on the fourth day of this month, approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 71. An act laying a tax on the county of Washington ;

H. 70. An act laying a tax on the county of Addison ;

H. 91. An act laying a tax on the county of Chittenden ;

H. 92. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Woodford ;

H. 94. An act to enable the town of Hartland to aid in bridging the Connecticut River ;

And that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 3. An act for the relief of school district No. 4 in Middlebury ;

H. 52. An act to incorporate the Barre Railroad Company.

Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 156. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, and to extend its powers ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by adding,

SEC. 10. *This act shall take effect from its passage.*

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 135. An act in alteration of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, entitled "Justices of the Peace ;"

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 30. An act to incorporate the Middletown Spring Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read a third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 17. An act to amend the charter of the Vermont Life Insurance Company;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out section two of said bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words:

SEC. 2. *The assets of said Company, except real estate, shall not be liable to taxation so long as the known and contingent liabilities of said Company shall exceed its assets;*

Which was agreed to; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

A message was received from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate have appointed as the Committee on their part, on final adjournment,

Senator Dickerman of Orleans,

“ Dewey of Windsor.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 138. An act in amendment of sections fourteen and fifteen of chapter one hundred and two of the General Statutes relating to fences;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Butterfield, from the same Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 12. An act in amendment of sections three and four of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the General Statutes, relating to forgery and counterfeiting;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Brewer, from the Committee on the State Prison to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 97. An act fixing the salary of the Superintendent and Chaplain of the State Prison ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by filling the blank in section one, line three, with the words "*eight hundred dollars.*"

Also, when amended in section two, line two, by filling the blank with the words "*four hundred dollars ;*" pending the question, Shall the bill be amended as proposed by the Committee? it was

*Ordered* to lie and be made the special order for Tuesday next at two and one half o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 52. An act for the incorporation of the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Hubbard, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 163. An act changing the name of the Brandon Mineral Paint Company to the Leicester Mineral Paint Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 35. An act to regulate trials in justice courts ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Ballard, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 76. An act in amendment of section one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to voters in town meetings ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Ballard, from the same Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 1. An act to incorporate the Orleans County Society of Natural Sciences ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 127. An act to incorporate A. W. Gray and Son's Horse Power Company ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Ladd, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 117. An act to incorporate the Addison County Lumber and Wood Manufacturing Company ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Ladd, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas Manufacturing Company ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

House bill entitled

H. 81. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein named,

Was read the third time, and pending the question, Shall the bill pass? it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Tuesday next at two and one half o'clock, P. M.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 115. An act changing the name of Eddie Dearborn, and constituting him heir-at-law of William and Jane L. Cheney ;

H. 131. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bakersfield for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 153. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Peru ;

H. 142. An act to repeal an act approved November 1, 1867, entitled "An act to protect fish in Ticklenacked Pond ;"

H. 98. An act in amendment of section thirty-three of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the collection of taxes ;"

H. 111. An act in amendment of sections one, nineteen, forty-four, fifty-two, fifty-four, fifty-five, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six and sixty-seven of chapter twenty-four of the Gen-

eral Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;"

H. 102. An act to amend the charter of the Free Press Association ;

H. 84. An act to incorporate the Burlington Savings Bank and Trust Company ;

H. 42. An act in amendment of and in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks ;"

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 101. An act in amendment of an act approved November 9, 1865, providing for taxing bank stock of non-residents ;

Reported the following substitute bill :

H. 180. An act in addition to an act approved November 9, 1895, entitled "An act providing for taxing bank stock in the several banking associations in this State, formed under an act of Congress approved June 3, 1864, entitled "An act to provide a national currency ;"

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State Vermont :*

SECTION 1. *All money collected by any city, town, school district, fire district, or village corporation, by virtue of sections three and four of an act approved November 9, A. D. 1865, entitled "An act providing for taxing bank stock in the several banking associations in this State, formed under the act of Congress approved June 3, 1864, entitled 'An act to provide a national currency,' " shall be held by such city, town, school district, fire district, or village corporation, to the use of the State, and the treasurer of such city, town, school district, fire district, or village corporation, shall, on or before the second Thursday of October of each year, forward the same, less the legal cost of collecting, to the State Treasurer. All highway taxes assessed by virtue of said sections three and four of said act approved November 3, 1865, shall be paid in money, and the collector thereof shall forward the same to the State Treasurer on or before the second Thursday in October, annually.*

SECTION 2. *In case of the failure of said treasurer or said collector to forward the same as specified in section one of this act, it shall be recovered by the State Treasurer in an action brought for that purpose against such city, town, school*

*district, fire district, village corporation, or collector of highway taxes, in the county in which such city, town, school district, fire district, village corporation or highway district is situated, in which action full costs shall be recovered;*

And on motion the bill was

*Ordered* to lie, be printed, and be made the special order for Tuesday next at half past two o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Mr. Hewett, the House adjourned.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Frisbie introduced a bill entitled

H. 181. An act in amendment of section eighty-one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to the jurisdiction of constables;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Richmond moved to reconsider the vote whereby the third reading was refused to House bill entitled

H. 135. An act in alteration of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, entitled "Justices of the peace;"

Which was agreed to; and pending the question, Shall the bill be read the third time? on motion, it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Tuesday next at ten and one half o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Hinckley moved that the vote refusing the third reading to House bill entitled

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas Manufacturing Company,

Be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to; and on motion, the bill was re-committed to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Frisbie introduced a bill entitled

H. 182. An act in addition to section six of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hinckley, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 151. An act to pay Milton Clark the sum therein named;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

House bill entitled

H. 138. An act in amendment of sections fourteen and fifteen of chapter one hundred and two of the General Statutes relating to fences;

Was read the third time, and pending the question, shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Dickey, it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Wednesday at ten and one half o'clock, A. M.

House bill entitled

H. 157. An act relating to the assessment of State taxes;

Was read the third time, and pending the question, Shall the bill pass? on motion of Mr. Wheelock, it was recommended to the Committee on the Grand List.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 17. An act to amend the charter of the Vermont Life Insurance Company;

H. 156. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, and to extend its powers;

H. 49. An act relating to Phillips Academy and to school district No. 26 in the town of Danville;

H. 163. An act changing the name of the Brandon Mineral Paint Company to the Leicester Mineral Paint Company;

Mr. Frisbie moved that when the House adjourn, it adjourn until Monday next at two o'clock, P. M.;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Baldwin moved to request the Senate to return to the House, Senate bill entitled

S. 35. An act to regulate trials in justice courts ;

Pending the question, Shall the motion be agreed to ? on motion of Mr. Hinckley, the House adjourned.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. T. F. Stuart, of South Burlington.

Journal of Saturday read and approved.

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Smith of Stowe,

H. 183. An act authorizing the State Treasurer to pay certain soldiers therein named ;

To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Way,

H. 184. An act to amend section forty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, entitled " Of salaries and fees ;"

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 185. An act in amendment of section thirty of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list ;

To the General Committee.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to deliver to the House of Representatives a communication in writing with an accompanying document.



The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from his Excellency, the Governor:

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 8, 1869. }

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith to the House of Representatives, a communication to the General Assembly of the State of Vermont.

I remain, &c.,

PETER T. WASHBURN.

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 8, 1869. }

*To the General Assembly of the State of Vermont :*

By the provisions of section two chapter twenty-three of the General Statutes, a sum not exceeding twenty-seven hundred dollars is appropriated annually for the benefit of the blind. I find by the records in the office of the Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, that the amount required and expended for that purpose for the year ending May 1, 1869, was twenty-nine hundred and eighty-five dollars and eighty-three cents, (\$2985.83) exceeding the appropriation by the sum of two hundred and eighty-five dollars and eighty-three cents.

The education of the indigent blind children, as well as of the deaf and dumb, at the expense of the State, is a duty of a higher degree, even, than the education of children in common schools; it is a charity, as well a duty, which should be extended to every indigent child of those classes in the State. The number of blind children at the Asylum on the first day of May last, supported by the State, was eleven,—requiring an annual expenditure of at least three thousand and three hundred dollars. The present appropriation is sufficient for but nine pupils. As the Commissioner has no power to exceed the annual appropriation, it follows that the appropriation must be increased, or a portion of the aid extended to the blind during the past year must be withdrawn,—an alternative to be adopted with extreme reluctance.

I respectfully recommend, that the annual appropriation be increased to such sum, as will not only include the necessary expenditure for those who are now beneficiaries of the State, but will allow the aid of the State to be extended to any new cases which may arise, reasonably requiring such aid.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

Which was read and referred to the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule.

On motion of Grout, the House adjourned.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Williams introduced a bill entitled

H. 186. An act to incorporate the Essex and Brandon Railroad Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Governor has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate, of the following titles, viz.:

S. 3. An act to amend section fifteen of chapter sixty-three of the General Statutes, relating to limitation of actions ;

S. 5. An act permitting parties in civil suits to challenge jurors ;

S. 17. An act to pay Joseph A. Mansur the sum therein mentioned ;

S. 20. An act to repeal " An act for the advancement of the science of medicine and surgery," approved November 10, 1868 ;

S. 7. An act in amendment of an act entitled " An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled ' Of the grand list ; ' " approved November 9, 1865.

The Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 10. An act creating degrees in the crime of murder ;

S. 27. An act relating to depositions ;

S. 40. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the grand list ;"

S. 44. An act relating to the rate of interest ;

S. 49. An act regulating attendance of teachers upon Teachers' Institutes ;

S. 57. An act relating to Phillips Academy and to school district No. 26 in the town of Danville ;

S. 60. An act providing for taxing stock in trust companies or other moneyed corporations organized, or which may be organized, under the laws of this State ;

S. 63. An act to incorporate Plainfield Building Company ;

S. 64. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Rutland, approved November 15, 1847," and in addition and amendment of an act in amendment thereof, approved November 9, 1865 ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have also considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 27. An act to alter and amend an act to incorporate the Fairfax Railroad Company ;

H. 79. An act in addition to section twenty-nine of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out highways and bridges ;"

H. 85. An act relating to the collection of taxes ;

H. 90. An act to protect fish in Symns Ponds and the waters between the same in the town of Ryegate in Caledonia county ;

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter thirty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to new trials ;

H. 109. An act to enable certain towns to aid in the construction of the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad ;

H. 116. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Warren for the years herein named ;

H. 120. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington and Orange to aid in the construction of the Barre Railroad ;

H. 121. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Jay for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 123. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Winhall for the year 1869 ;

H. 128. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Starksboro for the years 1868 and 1869 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have considered House bill of the following title :

H. 34. An act to change the name of Rosan R. Leathers ;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Grout,

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Runaway Pond Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ladd,

H. 188. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to taxing stocks ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Weed,

H. 189. An act to regulate railroad crossings ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Walker of Londonderry,

H. 190. An act to incorporate Wantasticet Valley Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Baldwin,

H. 191. An act relating to the descent and distribution of intestate estates ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Scott called up House bill entitled

H. 118. An act in amendment of the existing law relating to the sale of the estates of deceased persons ;

Which on motion, was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Baldwin introduced the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be directed to inquire into the expediency of further legislation to prevent the sale, by town agents, of impure and adulterated liquors for medicinal purposes, and report by bill or otherwise ;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Joyce introduced the following joint resolution:

*Whereas*, the oration of Gen. William W. Grout, delivered before the Reunion Society of Vermont Officers during the present session, would be, if preserved, a valuable acquisition to the history and literature of the State; therefore

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*, That the Clerk of the House and Secretary of the Senate be and they are hereby directed to procure the printing of one thousand copies thereof for the use of the General Assembly;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Weed,

H. 192. An act constituting railroad conductors police officers in certain cases;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 193. An act to repeal an act authorizing the Bennington and Rutland Railroad Company to extend their railroad to West Rutland, approved November 19, 1868;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Graham,

H. 194. An act fixing the salaries of the judges of the supreme court;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Edson,

H. 195. An act for apportioning between towns the expense of supporting extra highways, &c.;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill entitled

H. 135. An act in alteration of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, entitled "Justices of the peace,"

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative—yeas 136, nays 51.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Boyce, were taken, and are as follows:

## Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Gibb,	Ober,
Abell,	Gleed,	Parker of Lowell,
Alden,	Goodrich,	Parker of Sharon,
Baldwin,	Graham,	Peabody,
Barney,	Grout,	Phelps,
Barrett of Underhill,	Hall,	Pierce of Cavendish,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Hamblet,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Bartlett,	Hazeltine,	Pratt,
Bebee,	Hedden,	Purmort,
Benedict,	Hemenway,	Reed,
Benton,	Hewitt,	Reynolds,
Bigelow,	Hill of Hubbardton,	Rice,
Boyce,	Hill of Middlebury,	Richmond,
Brixham of Essex,	Holden,	Safford,
Brigham of Pittsfield,	Holman,	Salisbury,
Brown of Norwich,	Holmes of Moretown,	Scott,
Bull,	Hubbard,	Severance,
Campbell,	Humphrey,	Shuffeton,
Canfield,	Hunt of Guilford,	Silby,
Carleton,	Huntoon,	Simons,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Hurd,	Smith of Hartland,
Chase of Concord,	Isham,	Smith of Stowe,
Chase of Jay,	Jenkins,	Southwick,
Clark of Randolph,	Johnson of Sherburne,	Spaulding,
Cobb,	Johnson of Vernon,	Stoddard,
Colburn,	Knapp,	Stone,
Cook of Elmore,	Kneeland,	Thompson,
Cowles,	Knowlton,	Underwood,
Curtis,	Ladd,	Upham,
Darling,	Leonard,	Wales,
Day,	Long,	Walker of Clarendon,
Dike,	Lyman,	Walker of Londonderry,
Divoll,	Lynde,	Warner,
Dow,	Manning,	Way,
Dutton,	Marsh,	Weed,
Eaton,	McKnight,	Wentworth,
Eddy,	Merrill,	Wetherby,
Edgerton,	Miles,	Wheat,
Edson,	Moore,	Whitcomb,
Estey,	Morse,	White of Eden,
Farman,	Mowry,	White of Springfield,
Farrar,	Nichols of Danby,	Whitney,
Fenn,	Nichols of Lunenburg,	Willey,
Freeman,	Nickerson,	Williams,
Gambell,	North,	Worcester of Gr'naboro—136.
Gay,		

## Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,	Dickey,	Mason,
Aldrich,	Frisbie,	Niles,
Bailey,	Giffin,	Ormsby,
Ballard,	Grover,	Page,
Barnes,	Hinckley,	Palmer,
Bisbee,	Holbrook,	Peak,
Bishop,	Holmes of Waterville,	Ridley,
Brewster,	Holton,	Ripley,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Hooker,	Rixford,
Bromley,	Hopkins,	Ross,
Brown of Richford,	Hurlburt,	Soule,
Burt,	Jones,	Stevens,
Butterfield,	Joyce,	Strong,
Chamberlain of Reading,	Kemp,	Taylor,
Colburn,	Kingsbury,	Wheelock,
Cook of West Fairlee,	Langdon of Montpelier,	Wood,
Deming,	Langdon of New Haven,	Wright—51.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have adopted on their part a joint resolution inviting

the Secretary of the State Board of Education to address the members of the legislature;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Gleed, from the Joint Committee on the Reform School, submitted the following report:

(See Appendix.)

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Brigham, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 137. An act relating to the division of public moneys among the School Districts;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That Mr. A. E. Rankin, Secretary of the State Board of Education, be invited to address the members of the legislature; and that the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives is hereby tendered to him for that purpose on Thursday evening the eleventh instant;

Was read and adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Severance, the House adjourned.

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## AFTERNOON.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second times, and referred as follows:

By Mr. Ober,

H. 196. An act to pay Francis Phelps the sum therein named;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Hall,

H. 197. An act to incorporate the Caledonia County Trust Company;

To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Benedict,

H. 198. An act fixing the standard weight of beans ;  
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 199. An act relating to the service of process upon  
managers of Railroads in certain cases ;  
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hall,

H. 200. An act in amendment of section three of chap-  
ter one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, relating  
to "Mechanics' liens ;"

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill entitled

H. 151. An act to pay Milton Clark the sum therein  
named,

Was read the third time and passed.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the  
first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 10. An act creating degrees in the crime of murder ;  
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 27. An act relating to depositions ;  
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 39. An act to provide for the employment of a reporter  
in county courts ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 40. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the  
General Statutes, entitled "Of the grand list ;"

To the Committee on the Grand List.

S. 44. An act relating to the rate of interest ;  
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 49. An act regulating the attendance of teachers upon  
teachers' institutes ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 60. An act providing for taxing stock in trust com-  
panies or other moneyed corporations organized, or which  
may be organized, under the laws of this State ;

To the Committee on Banks.

S. 57. An act relating to Phillips Academy and to  
school district No. 26 in the town of Danville ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 63. An act to incorporate the Plainfield Building  
Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.



S. 64. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Rutland, approved November 15, 1847," and in addition and amendment of an act in amendment thereof, approved November 9, 1865;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

The hour for a Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 42. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the incorporation of the Tehuantepec Railway Company," approved November 10, 1868;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read a third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Safford, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 93. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad Company," approved November 6, 1867;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 80. An act to incorporate the Lamoille Valley Junction Railroad Company;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out section one and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SEC. 1. *Such persons as shall hereafter become stockholders are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name of the Lamoille Valley Junction Railroad Company, for the purpose and with the right of building a railroad with a single or double track, from some point on the north line of the State, in the town of Berkshire or Franklin, thence running through the towns of Berkshire, Franklin, Enosburgh, Sheldon, Bakersfield and Fairfield, or such of said towns as may be necessary to connect in some one of said towns with the Lamoille Valley Railroad, or the Missisquoi Railroad, or both of said roads, with the right to transport and carry persons and property over said railroad by the power of steam or*

*otherwise ; and by that name may sue and be sued, may have a common seal, and shall have all the rights incident to corporations ;*

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 160. An act to amend chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to registration of births, marriages and deaths ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

House bill entitled

H. 81. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein named,

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, shall the bill pass? it was decided in the affirmative.

The hour for the Joint Assembly having arrived, the Senate appeared in the Hall of the House.

The Joint Assembly having concluded its session, the Speaker resumed the chair.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :

*To the House of Representatives now in session :*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval :

H. 9. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Rutland and Addison to aid in the construction of the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad ;

H. 21. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company ;

H. 36. An act to extend the Fairhaven and Lake Shore Railroad ;

H. 55. An act consolidating the Beldens Falls Branch Railroad Company and the Beldens Falls Marble Company ;

H. 99. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Barton for the year therein named ;

H. 110. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Lowell for the year 1869 ;

H. 116. An act legalizing the grand list of the town of Warren for the years therein named ;

H. 121. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Jay for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 123. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Winhall for the year 1869;

H. 128. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Starksboro for the years 1868 and 1869.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz:

H. 9. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Rutland and Addison to aid in the construction of the Fair Haven and Lake Shore Railroads;

H. 36. An act to extend the Fair Haven and Lake Shore Railroad;

H. 55. An act consolidating the Beldens Falls Branch Railroad Company and the Beldens Falls Marble Company;

H. 99. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Barton for the year therein named;

H. 110. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Lowell for the year 1869;

H. 123. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Winhall for the year 1869;

H. 128. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Starksboro for the years 1868 and 1869;

H. 21. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company;

H. 116. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Warren for the years herein named;

H. 121. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Jay for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869.

House bill entitled

H. 97. An act fixing the salary of the Superintendent and Chaplain of the State Prison,

Was taken up as the special order; the question being, Shall the amendments of the Committee be agreed to? Mr. Wood moved that the bill be

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for to-morrow afternoon at two and one half o'clock, P. M.

The Chair having decided to entertain the motion, Mr. Page claiming the floor, Mr. Abell appealed from the decision of the Chair, and pending the question, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House? on motion of Mr. Hall, the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Mr. Luce of St. Johnsbury.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Fenn,

H. 201. An act providing for the temporary discontinuance of highways ;

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Hinckley,

H. 202. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chelsea for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Hinckley,

H. 203. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Orange and Windsor to aid in the construction of West Fairlee Railroad ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Ballard,

H. 204. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Fairfax Railroad ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Salisbury,

H. 205. An act to prevent the destruction of Fish,  
With a memorial accompanying the same ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wetherby,

H. 206. An act to enable the towns and cities therein named to aid in the construction of the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. White,

H. 207. An act to protect fish in Spencer Hollow Brook and its tributaries ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Bisbee,

H. 208. An act to authorize improvements in Clyde River ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Weed,

H. 209. An act for the promotion of anatomical science ;  
To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Barnes,

H. 210. An act granting a ferry to John Quincy Adams ;  
To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 211. An act laying a tax on the county of Rutland for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county ;

To a Committee of members of the House from Rutland county.

By Mr. Langdon of Montpelier,

H. 212. An act to incorporate the Montpelier Savings and Trust Company ;

To the Committee on Banks.

By Mr. Morgan,

H. 213. An act determining the jurisdiction of constables ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Holton,

H. 214. An act changing the name of Michael McTague to Myron Montague ;

To the General Committee.

Mr. Weed offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That no bills shall be introduced into this House after Thursday, November 11, 1869, except such as shall be reported by some Committee of the House, or shall come from the Senate asking for the concurrence of the House, without unanimous consent ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gleed introduced the following joint resolution :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives now in session*, That the State Librarian is hereby directed to deliver to the town of Morristown such volumes of the reports of the decisions of the supreme court as can be

spared from the Library without detriment thereto, or interference with the claims of other towns in the State ;

Which was adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Wales presented the petition of H. H. Howe and fifty-nine others, praying for the incorporation of the People's Gas Light Company ;

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Knowlton,

H. 215. An act altering the name of Emery Jones Smith to Emery Jones Parsons ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Morgan,

H. 216. An act to change the name of Marion W. Washburn ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 217. An act to incorporate the Rutland Cheese Factory Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Wheelock,

H. 218. An act in alteration of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of private corporations ;"

To the Committee on Corporations.

House bill entitled

H. 138. An act in amendment of sections fourteen and fifteen of chapter one hundred and two of the General Statutes, relating to fences,

Was taken up as the special order, and the question being, Shall the bill pass ? it was decided in the negative.

House bill entitled

H. 180. An act in addition to an act approved November 9, 1865, entitled "An act providing for taxing bank stock in the several banking associations in this State, formed under an act of Congress approved June 3, 1864, entitled "An act to provide a national currency ;"

Was taken up as the special order, read the third time, and pending the question, Shall the bill pass ? on motion of Mr. Hinckley, it was recommitted to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:  
*To the House of Representatives now in session :*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval :

H. 27. An act to alter and amend an act to incorporate the Fairfax Railroad Company ;

H. 79. An act in addition to section twenty-nine of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled " Of laying out highways and bridges ;"

H. 85. An act relating to the collection of taxes ;

H. 90. An act to protect fish in Symns Ponds and the waters between the same in the town of Ryegate in Caledonia county ;

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter thirty-eight of the General Statutes, in relation to new trials ;

H. 109. An act to enable certain towns to aid in the construction of the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad Company ;

H. 120. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington and Orange to aid in the construction of the Barre Railroad.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

On motion of Mr. Chamberlain of Reading, the House adjourned.

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## AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed Senate bills of the following titles :

S. 6. An act in amendment of an act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington, Caledonia and Orange, to aid in the construction of the " Montpelier and Wells River Railroad," approved October 30, 1868 ;

S. 8. An act to incorporate the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad Company ;

S. 22. An act to enable the proprietors and pew-owners of the union meeting house in Corinth to dispose of the same ;

S. 36. An act in relation to insurance agents ;

S. 50. An act to incorporate the Alburgh, Plattsburgh and Highgate Steamboat Company ;

S. 38. An act to pay Peter Lander, Jr., the sum therein mentioned ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 80. An act to incorporate the Lamoille Valley Junction Railroad Company ;

H. 93. An act in amendment of an act entitled " an act to incorporate the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad Company," approved November 6, 1867 ;

H. 160. An act to amend chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths ;

H. 135. An act in alteration of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, entitled " Justices of the Peace."

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 27. An act to alter and amend an act to incorporate the Fairfax Railroad Company ;

H. 90. An act to protect fish in Symns Ponds and the waters between the same in the town of Ryegate in Caledonia county ;

H. 96. An act in addition to chapter thirty-eight of the General Statutes in relation to new trials ;

H. 109. An act to enable certain towns to aid in the construction of the Brattleboro and Bennington Railroad.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred as follows :



S. 6. An act in amendment of "an act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington, Caledonia and Orange, to aid in the construction of the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad," approved October 30, 1868 ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

S. 8. An act to incorporate the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad Company ;

To the Committee on Railroads.

S. 22. An act to enable the proprietors and pew owners of the Union Meeting house in Corinth to dispose of the same ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 36. An act in relation to insurance agents ;

To the General Committee.

S. 38. An act to pay Peter Lander, Jr., the sum therein named ;

To the Committee on Claims.

S. 50. An act to incorporate the Alburgh, Plattsburgh and Highgate Steamboat Company ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bill of the following title :

H. 152. An act laying a tax on the county of Lamoille ;  
And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have also considered House bill entitled

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Missisquoi and Clyde rivers Railroad Company, and to enable the towns in the counties of Franklin, Orleans and Essex to aid in the construction thereof ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have considered House proposals of amendment to

S. 2. An act defining who shall be voters in town meeting ;

And have concurred therein.

They have adopted a joint resolution relating to final adjournment;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have also considered a joint resolution providing for the printing of the address of Gen. W. W. Grout;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 40. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the grand list;"

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 176. An act in addition to sections seventy-six and seventy-seven of chapter thirty-three of the General Statutes;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Reynolds, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 168. An act in addition to chapter seventy-eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of grist-mills;"

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Brigham of Pittsfield, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

S. 49. An act regulating the attendance of teachers upon teachers' institutes;

Reported in favor of its passage; and the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Hooker, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 108. An act changing the name of Hattie Anh Stebens and constituting her heir-at-law of Mark A. Amsden and Marriett H. Amsden;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Carpenter, from the Committee on Town Lines to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 64. An act to annex a part of the town of Ripton to the town of Lincoln ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 79. An act in addition to section seventy-nine of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled " Of laying out highways and bridges ;"

H. 120. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington and Orange to aid in the construction of the Barre Railroad.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 157. An act relating to the assessment of State taxes ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line twelve, by striking out the word "*additions*" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "*alterations* ;"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was passed.

Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 177. An act in relation to continuances of causes ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Ballard, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 182. An act in addition to section six of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Joyce, from the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule to whom was referred a communication from His Excellency the Governor, in regard to the annual appropriation for the benefit of the deaf, dumb and blind, reported House bill entitled

H. 219. An act to amend an act entitled an act in amendment of section two of chapter twenty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the instruction of the deaf, dumb and blind ;"

Which was read the first and second time, and

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 139. An act to incorporate the American Trust Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section fifteen, line thirteen, by striking out the words "exclusive of the buildings thereon ;"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 175. An act to incorporate the Colchester Butter and Cheese Manufacturing Company ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Jones, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 119. An act abolishing the office of superintendent of common schools ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Mr. Gleed, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 159. An act in amendment of an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled "An act defining the qualifications of voters in school meetings ;"

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 47. An act to incorporate the National Mutual Benefit Association ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line twelve, by striking out the words "National Mutual Benefit Association," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words *Northeastern Mutual Life Association.*

Also, in line four of the same section, by striking out the name of "Jacob Estey."

Also, in section ten, line two, by striking out the words "and one half."

Also, in section eleven, in line four, by striking out the words "stock and."

Also, by adding to section eleven, the following:

*And if at any time the capital stock of said corporation shall be impaired by losses or otherwise, the directors shall forthwith repair the same by assessment, and no dividends shall be declared upon the capital stock of said corporation until the same are actually earned and realized over and above all losses and expenses, but said capital stock may be retired, when their assets, without said stock are sufficient to re-insure their risks, after a valuation by the Auditor of Accounts of the State of Vermont, by the combined experience table at four per cent., and evidenced by a certificate thereof, filed and recorded in the office of Secretary of State;*

Which were severally agreed to; and pending the question, Shall the bill as amended be read the third time? on motion of Mr. Wheelock, it was recommitted

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Grover, from the same Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 34. An act changing the name of and relating to the Northfield Cemetery Association;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by prefixing to section one, the following:

*That an act approved November 14, 1855, entitled an act to incorporate the Northfield Cemetery Association shall be amended as follows.*

Also, in section two, by striking out 'all after the word "misapplied" in the twenty-fourth line, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:

*And shall also be liable to a prosecution by information or indictment, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by a sentence to hard labor in the State prison for a term not exceeding two years, either or both in the discretion of the court.*

Also, by adding to section three, the words

*And in any action or prosecution against the trustees of said corporation.*

Also, by adding the following section :

SEC. 4. *This act shall take effect from its passage ;*

Which were severally agreed to, and the bill as amended was read a third time, and passed in concurrence with proposals of amendment.

House bill entitled

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Missisquoi and Clyde Rivers Railroad Company, and to enable the towns in the counties of Franklin, Orleans and Essex, to aid in the construction thereof,

Having been returned from the Senate with the following proposal of amendment, viz.: to strike out in section ten, line twenty, the word "five," and insert in lieu thereof the word *eight*,

Was taken up, and the Senate proposal of amendment concurred in.

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

By Mr. Bailey,

H. 220. An act relating to the Cemetery in Wells River Village,

With a petition accompanying it ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Grover,

H. 221. An act relating to the authorization of persons to serve process ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Ladd,

H. 222. An act relating to the collection of highway taxes ;

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr. Scott,

H. 223. An act to compel children to attend school ;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Page,

H. 224. An act to provide for the expenses of the Ver-

mont Reform School and for the enlargement of its buildings ;

To the Committee on the Reform School.

By Mr. Jewett,

H. 225. An act relating to the establishment and discontinuance of side tracks and depots ;

To a special committee to consist of five members of the House.

By Mr. Underwood,

H. 226. An act changing the name of Lillie Mary Kenyon ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Carleton,

H. 227. An act to amend section five of an act entitled "An act authorizing towns to establish central schools ;"

To the Committee on Education.

Mr. Bisbee presented the petitions of Lewis Duval, Jr., and thirteen others, of A. L. Adams and thirty-two others, of J. T. Allen and thirty-five others, and Milo L. Henderson and seventy-six others, praying for the improvement of Clyde River and its tributaries ;

Which were referred to the General Committee.

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 158. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the National Trust Company, approved November 19, 1868 ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Gleed, the House adjourned.

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Dr. Newman of Poultney.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

House bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Jones,

H. 228. An act to incorporate the village of Benson,  
With a memorial relating to the same matter ;  
To the Committee on Corporations.

By Mr. Willey,

H. 229. An act to protect fish in Mills Pond ;  
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Silsby,

H. 230. An act to pay certain volunteers the bounty therein named ;  
To the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Kneeland,

H. 231. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Victory for the years 1868 and 1869 ;  
To the Committee on the Grand List.

By Mr. Farnsworth,

H. 232. An act to provide an inspector of lumber and shingles, and prescribing his duties ;  
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Joyce,

H. 233. An act in amendment of an act entitled " An act authorizing certain towns to aid in the construction of the Rutland and Woodstock Railroad, approved November 19, 1868 ;"

To the Committee on Railroads.

By Mr. Hunt of Guilford,

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Guilford ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.



By Mr. Eaton,

H. 235. An act relating to the division of public school money among the school districts;

To the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Farnsworth,

H. 236. An act in amendment of chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, relating to railroad freights;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Williams,

H. 237. An act in relation to highways;

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 23. An act to amend section one of chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes, relating to the rights of married women;

H. 65. An act granting certain powers to Chester Academy and to school district number twenty in Chester;

H. 81. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein named;

H. 84. An act to incorporate the Burlington Savings Bank and Trust Company;

H. 102. An act to amend the charter of the Free Press Association;

H. 111. An act in amendment of sections one, nineteen, forty-four, fifty-two, fifty-four, fifty-five, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six and sixty-seven of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges;"

H. 142. An act to repeal an act approved November 1, 1867, entitled "An act to protect fish in Ticklenacked Pond;"

H. 151. An act to pay Milton Clark the sum therein named;

H. 155. An act in amendment of an act passed November 26, A. D. 1853, incorporating the Springfield Wesleyan Seminary;

H. 163. An act changing the name of the Brandon Mineral Paint Company to Leicester Mineral Paint Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Mr. Carpenter presented the remonstrance of C. B. Stone and two hundred and sixteen others, against House bill entitled

H. 208. An act to authorize improvements in Clyde River;

Which was referred to the General Committee.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 139. An act to incorporate the American Trust Company;

H. 188. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to taxing stocks;

H. 158. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the National Trust Company, approved November 19, 1868;

H. 64. An act to annex a part of the town of Ripton to the town of Lincoln.

House bill entitled

H. 159. An act in amendment of an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled "An act defining the qualifications of voters in school meetings,"

Was taken up and read the third time, and pending the question, Shall the bill pass? Mr. Page moved to dismiss;

Which was agreed to—yeas 123, nays 92.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Wood, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Coburn,	Hill of Middlebury,
Alden,	Colburn,	Hinckley,
Allis,	Conkey,	Holbrook,
Batcheller,	Cook of Elmore,	Holden,
Bailey,	Cook of West Fairlee,	Hooker,
Ballard,	Day,	Hopkins,
Barnes,	Deming,	Humphrey,
Barney,	Dike,	Hunt of St. Albans,
Barrett of Underhill,	Dow,	Huntington,
Benedict,	Downing,	Huntoon,
Benton,	Dutton,	Hurd,
Bigelow,	Edgerton,	Hurlburt,
Bishop,	Edson,	Isham,
Boydton,	Everts,	Jenkins,
Brewster,	Farnsworth,	Johnson of Sherburne,
Briggs,	Farrar,	Johnson of Vernon,
Brigham of Essex,	Fenn,	Kemp,
Brigham of Pittsfield,	Frisbie,	King of Mt. Tabor,
Bromley,	Goodrich,	Kingsbury,
Canfield,	Goodsell,	Kinsley,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Grover,	Knapp,
Chamberlain of Reading,	Hall,	Kneeland,
Chase of Concord,	Hamilton,	Langdon of Montpelier,
Clark of Groton,	Hazeltine,	Langdon of New Haven,
Clark of Lincoln,	Hemenway,	Leonard,
Clark of Randolph,	Hewitt,	Long,
Cobb,	Hill of Hubbardton,	Lyman,

Marsh,  
Mason,  
Merrill,  
Miles,  
Moore,  
Morgan,  
Nichols of Lunenburg,  
Nickerson,  
Niles,  
Ober,  
Page,  
Palmer,  
Parker of Sharon,  
Peabody,  
Peak,

Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pollard,  
Pratt,  
Purmort,  
Reed,  
Remington,  
Reynolds,  
Rice,  
Ripley,  
Ross,  
Safford,  
Scott,  
Silsby,  
Simons,  
Smith of Barnet,

Smith of Stowe,  
Soule,  
Spaulding,  
Stuart,  
Taylor,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Warner,  
Wentworth,  
Wetherby,  
Wheat,  
Wheeler,  
Whitcomb,  
White of Eden,  
Willey,  
Worcester of Gr'naboro—123.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Aiken,  
Aldrich,  
Andrew,  
Baldwin,  
Barrett of Weathersfield,  
Bartlett,  
Bebee,  
Bisbee,  
Boyce,  
Brigham of Bakersfield,  
Brown of Norwich,  
Brown of Richford,  
Bull,  
Butterfield,  
Cardell,  
Carleton,  
Carpenter,  
Chase of Jay,  
Cowles,  
Curtis,  
Darling,  
Eaton,  
Eddy,  
Estey,  
Foster of Wolcott,  
Freeman,  
Gambell,  
Gay,  
Gibb,  
Giffin,

Gleed,  
Goff,  
Gordon,  
Graham,  
Groat,  
Hamblet,  
Harrington,  
Hedden,  
Holman,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Holton,  
Howard,  
Hubbard,  
Hunt of Guilford,  
Jackson of Orange,  
Jackson of Panton,  
Jones,  
Joyce,  
Kenaston,  
Knowlton,  
Ladd,  
Lynde,  
McKnight,  
Morse,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Danby,  
North,  
Ormsby,  
Paine,

Parker of Lowell,  
Phelps,  
Pierce of Shaftsbury,  
Richmond,  
Ridley,  
Rixford,  
Salisbury,  
Severance,  
Shuffleton,  
Smith of Hartland,  
Southwick,  
Stanton,  
Stevens,  
Stoddard,  
Stone,  
Strong,  
Thompson,  
Underwood,  
Upham,  
Wales,  
Walker of Clarendon,  
Washburn,  
Way,  
Weed,  
Wheelock,  
White of Springfield,  
Whitney,  
Williams,  
Wood,  
Wright—92.

So the bill was dismissed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate of the following titles:

S. 1. An act to incorporate the Orleans County Society of Natural Sciences;

S. 12. An act in amendment of sections three and four of chapter one hundred and fourteen of the General Statutes, relating to forgery and counterfeiting;

S. 30. An act to incorporate the Middletown Spring Company;

S. 42. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the incorporation of the Tehuantepec Railway Company," approved November 10, 1868;

S. 52. An act for the incorporation of the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont.

The Senate have considered a joint resolution directing the State Librarian to deliver to the town of Morristown certain reports, and have adopted the same in concurrence.

They have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 33. An act to incorporate the Grand Isle Steamboat Company;

H. 156. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, and to extend its powers;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment, in the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to return herewith to the House of Representatives, House bill No. 85, entitled "An act relating to the collection of taxes," without his approval, and with his objections thereto in writing.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives adjourn their respective Houses, without day, on Wednesday, the 17th day of November instant, at eight o'clock in the forenoon;

Which was read and adopted in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ladd, the House adjourned.

#### AFTERNOON.

House bill entitled

H. 85. An act relating to the collection of taxes;

Was taken up, having been returned by his Excellency, the Governor, with his objections thereto in writing, as follows:

STATE OF VERMONT,  
Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov., 1869. }

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR: I return herewith to the House of Representatives, without my approval, a bill originating in the House, entitled "An act relating to the collection of taxes;"

The intent of this bill probably was to facilitate the collection of taxes against non-residents, by allowing the collector of a town, holding a rate-bill against a non-resident, to transmit an abstract of his rate-bill and a copy of his warrant to the collector of the town in which the tax-payer resides, and authorize the collector of that town to collect the tax there. And if the bill provided only this, with suitable checks and limitations, there would be no serious objection to it, although the necessity for its enactment is not very obvious, under the provisions of section fifteen of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes. But the bill, as drawn, is uncertain in its application and without sufficient guards in its execution. It makes no distinction between town, school district, or village collectors, but provides that any collector, having a tax against a person residing out of the town in which the collector resides, may transmit the specified abstract and copy to "a collector of taxes" in any other town, without limitation.

It does not provide for any verification of the abstract of the rate-bill and copy of the warrant by the collector who transmits them, or by any other officer, and thus authorizes the delegation of important powers, including the power of district, and of court, with the loosest possible evidence of authority.

And instead of providing that such abstract and copy shall be transmitted to the collector of the town in which the tax-payer resides, it provides that they may be put into the hands of a collector of taxes in "*any other town*," and authorizes such collector to collect the tax and charge for his actual travel.

It may be that no mischief would ever arise from this looseness of provision; but I am unwilling to approve of a bill which would afford even the opportunity to an evil disposed person to work such injustice under order of law as its terms might allow.

I therefore respectfully return the bill to the House of Representatives for their further consideration.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

The question being, Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Executive thereto notwithstanding? on motion of Mr. Joyce, the bill with the objections was

*Ordered to lie.*

Bills of the following titles were severally reported favorably to their passage; thereupon the third reading of the same was ordered:

By Mr. Pierce, from the Committee on Banks,

H. 212. An act to incorporate the Montpelier Savings and Trust Company.

By Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries,

H. 210. An act granting a ferry to John Quincy Adams.

By Mr. Brown of Richford, from the General Committee,

H. 215. An act altering the name of Emery Jones Smith to Emery Jones Parsons.

By Mr. Barrett of Weathersfield, from the General Committee,

H. 216. An act to change the name of Marion W. Washburn.

By Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Banks,

H. 197. An act to incorporate the Caledonia County Trust Company.

By Mr. Gay, from the Committee on Corporations,

H. 82. An act in amendment of section one of an act to incorporate the Barre Hotel Company, approved November 12, 1859.

By Mr. Holton, from the General Committee,

H. 214. An act changing the name of Michael McTague to Myron Montague.

By Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee,

H. 185. An act in amendment of section thirty of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list.

By Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

H. 181. An act in amendment of section eighty-one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables.

Bills of the following titles were severally reported adversely to their passage; thereupon the third reading of the same was refused:

By Mr. Hubbard, from the Committee on Corporations,  
H. 88. An act to incorporate the Vale Marble Company;  
H. 87. An act to incorporate the Continental Marble Company;  
H. 86. An act to incorporate the Home Marble Company.

By Mr. Hinckley, from the Committee on Claims,  
H. 149. An act for paying Ira H. Dutton the amount therein named.

By Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 105. An act relating to chattel mortgages.

By Mr. White of Springfield, from the Committee on Agriculture,  
H. 112. An act to regulate the manufacture of butter packages.

By Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 179. An act in relation to assignment of cases for trial.

By Mr. Allis, from the General Committee,  
H. 198. An act fixing the standard weight of beans.

By Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 191. An act relating to the descent and distribution of intestate estates.

By Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads,  
H. 103. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to establish the incorporation of the Tehuantepec Railway Company," approved November 10, 1868.

By Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 186. An act in relation to trustee process.

By Mr. Barrett, from the General Committee,  
H. 161. An act in addition to section fifty-three of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to selectmen.

By Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List,  
H. 147. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list.

House bill entitled

H. 219. An act to amend an act entitled an act in amendment of section two of chapter twenty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the instruction of the deaf, dumb and blind,"

Was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Cowles, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond ;  
Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 180. An act in addition to an act approved November 9, 1865, entitled "An act providing for taxing bank stock in the several banking associations in this State, formed under an act of Congress approved June 3, 1864, entitled "An act to provide a national currency ;"

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by striking out all after the word "*treasurer*" in line fifteen.

Also, by striking out section two and inserting in lieu thereof the following words :

SECTION 2. *In case of the failure of said treasurer to forward the same, as specified in section one of this act, it shall be recovered by the State Treasurer in an action brought for that purpose against such city, town, school district, fire district or village corporation in the county in which said city, town, school district, fire district or village corporation is situated, in which action full costs shall be recovered.*

Also, by adding the following :

SECTION 3. *It shall be the duty of the listers in the several towns in this State, in assessing any bank stock by virtue of said sections three and four of said act, approved November 9, 1865, to specify in the grand list against the name of each person owning such stock, the amount of such stock so assessed against such individual ;*

Which were severally agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

Mr. Rice, from the Committee on Land Taxes to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 122. An act laying a tax on lands in the town of Stratton ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by filling the blank in section one, line one, with the word "*eight* ;"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.



Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 48. An act to amend the charter of the Burlington Manufacturing Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line sixteen, by striking out the words "*all other materials not inconsistent with the laws of the land ;*"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Farnsworth, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 170. An act relating to Library Associations ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line five, by striking out the words "*of the members thereof,*" and inserting in lieu thereof, "*of two thirds of the stock or shares owned by said association ;*"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 22. An act to enable the proprietors and pew owners of the Union Meeting house in Corinth to dispose of the same ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Allis, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 220. An act relating to the Cemetery in Wells River Village ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one by adding the following: "*And be it further provided, that the ground of the above cemetery shall not be used for any other purpose until every body shall have been removed in the manner above described ;*"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 39. An act to provide for the employment of a reporter in county courts ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read a third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Reynolds, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 24. An act to amend chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of traffic in intoxicating drinks;"

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 60. An act providing for taxing stock in trust companies or other moneyed corporations, organized, or which may be organized, under the laws of this State;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 164. An act relating to railroads;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line eleven, by adding after the word "vote" the following: "*by a vote of at least two thirds in amount of the entire capital stock of such company, in favor of such issue.*"

Also, by inserting

SECTION 2. *The original stockholders in such corporation shall have the first right to take such preferred stock in proportion to the amount of original stock owned by the several holders of such original stock;*"

Which were agreed to; thereupon the bill as amended was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 146. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Phoenix Company;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section three by adding thereto the following: "*No part of the capital stock of said company shall at any time be diverted or withdrawn from the proper business of the company; and if at any time the liabilities of said corporation shall exceed three fourths of the capital stock actually paid in, the directors and stockholders shall be personally liable to the creditors of said company;*"

Which was agreed to; and the bill as amended was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 106. An act to incorporate the Battenkill and Pawlet Rivers Railroad Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 154. An act to incorporate the Manchester and Jamaica Railroad Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one by striking out lines six, seven, eight, nine and ten, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "*at some point in the town of Manchester or Dorset most convenient to connect with the Bennington and Rutland Railroad, thence running by way of Bondville by the most convenient route through the towns of Manchester, Winhall, Londonderry and Jamaica, where the ;*"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was recommitted House bill entitled

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas Manufacturing Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section five, line five, by striking out all after the word "*company ;*"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Bills of the following titles were severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Ballard,

H. 240. An act to pay Charles S. Hogle the sum therein mentioned ;

To the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Burt,

H. 241. An act in addition to chapter thirty-four of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings against trustees ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Carpenter,

H. 242. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the observance of the Sabbath and of disturbing religious meetings ;"

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Foster of Wolcott,

H. 243. An act to constitute Eddie Marshall Smith of Wolcott, heir-at-law of Philander and Mary Smith;  
To the General Committee.

By Mr. Strong,

H. 245. An act for the prevention of theft;  
To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Langdon of Montpelier, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill entitled

H. 244. An act making provision for the support of Government;

Which was read the first and second time, and

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

The House considered the Senate proposals of amendment to House bills entitled

H. 33. An act to incorporate the Grand Isle Steamboat Company;

H. 156. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the Village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, and to extend its powers,

And concur therein.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:

*To the House of Representatives now in session:*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval:

H. 23. An act to amend section one of chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes, relating to the rights of married women;

H. 65. An act granting certain powers to Chester Academy and to school district No. 20 in Chester;

H. 81. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein named;

H. 84. An act to incorporate the Burlington Savings Bank and Trust Company;

H. 102. An act to amend the charter of the Free Press Association;

H. 111. An act in amendment of sections one, nineteen, forty-four, fifty-two, fifty-four, fifty-five, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six and sixty-seven of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges;"

H. 142. An act to repeal an act approved November 1, 1867, entitled "An act to protect fish in Ticklenacked Pond;"

H. 151. An act to pay Milton Clark the sum therein named;

H. 155. An act in amendment of an act passed November 26, A. D. 1853, incorporating the Springfield Wesleyan Seminary;

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Missisquoi and Clyde Rivers Railroad Company, and to enable the towns in the counties of Franklin, Orleans and Essex, to aid in the construction thereof;

H. 152. An act laying a tax on the county of Lamoille;

H. 163. An act changing the name of the Brandon Mineral Paint Company to the Leicester Mineral Paint Company;  
A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 64. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Rutland, approved November 15, 1847," and in addition and amendment of an act in amendment thereof, approved November 9, 1865;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Canfield, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 181. An act in amendment of section eighty-one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Grover, for the Committee on Corporations, asked and had leave for said Committee to sit during the sessions of the House.

Mr. Boyce moved that the Senate be requested to return to the House Senate bill entitled

S. 49. An act regulating the attendance of teachers upon Teachers' Institutes;

Which was agreed to.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved

and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 57. An act to incorporate the Missisquoi and Clyde Rivers Railroad Company, and to enable the towns in the counties of Franklin, Orleans and Essex, to aid in the construction thereof;

H. 152. An act laying a tax on the county of Lamoille.

Mr. Colburn, from the select Committee of the members from Bennington county to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 26. An act providing for the erection of county buildings in the county of Bennington, and laying a tax for that purpose;

Reported the following substitute bill:

H. 238. *An act providing for the location and erection of county buildings in the county of Bennington, and laying a tax therefor.*

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State Vermont :*

SECTION 1. *John Prout of Rutland, Dugald Stewart of Middlebury, Homer E. Royce of Berkshire, are hereby appointed commissioners to locate county buildings in the county of Bennington.*

SECTION 2. *Said commissioners shall fix a time and place within said county for a hearing in the premises, and shall give notice thereof by publication in the newspapers printed in said county three weeks successively previous to such hearing, and shall, on or before the 1st day of June, 1870, file with the clerk of the county of Bennington their decision in writing, stating whether such decision is in favor of one set or two sets of county buildings in said county, and if their decision is in favor of one set only of county buildings for said county, then they shall state in what town or village in said county said buildings shall be erected. And for the payment for the services of said commissioners the clerk of said county shall draw orders upon the county treasurer of said county. And in case of vacancy in said commissioners from any cause, the Governor of the State is authorized to fill such vacancy by appointment.*

SECTION 3. *At a town meeting to be held in the several towns in said county on the last Tuesday of February, 1870, the legal voters therein may, by ballot, upon which shall be written or printed the word "yes" or the word "no," and also the name of the town or village in which the voter may desire*

*the county buildings to be located, if county buildings are to be located in one place, vote upon the question whether the county buildings shall be in one place only, and at what place; and if a majority of all the ballots cast shall be "no," or if a majority thereof shall be "yes," and shall also designate the same town or village for the location of the county buildings, then no proceedings shall be had under the provisions of this act by the said commissioners; but the committee hereinafter named shall, in case said majority shall be "no," select and purchase a site for a court house and jail in the village of Bennington, and proceed to the erection thereof as herein provided; and in case said majority shall be "yes," and shall also designate the same town or village in which said buildings shall be located, then said committee shall proceed to the erection thereof in the town or village so designated therefor by a majority of such votes.*

SECTION 4. *The selectmen of the several towns in said county shall, in the warning for said town meeting, to be posted up in the usual manner twelve days previous thereto, give notice that the vote herein provided for will be taken, and when said vote shall be completed, the board of civil authority of each town shall sort and count the ballots so cast, and the several town clerks in said county shall forthwith certify the result thereof to the clerk of said county, and the general result of the balloting in the county shall also be forthwith certified by the county clerk to each of said commissioners and to each of the committee hereinafter named.*

SECTION 5. *Henry W. Putnam of Bennington, Samuel M. West of Arlington and Augustus G. Clark of Manchester, are hereby appointed a committee to purchase sites for and superintend the erection and furnishing of a court house, with suitable offices and out-buildings, and a jail for said county, in the town or village where the same may be located under the provisions of this act, and shall, as soon as may be after such location shall be determined, proceed in the performance of these duties, and may draw orders upon the treasurer of said county for all necessary expenses and disbursements therein, provided that said committee shall not expend nor pledge the credit of said county in an amount exceeding the sum of thirty thousand dollars. For the services of said committee, the clerk of said county, upon the allowance of their accounts by the county auditor, shall draw orders upon the treasurer of said county.*

SECTION 6. *Said committee shall have power to sell and convey the interest of said county in the jail and lands belonging to the county situate in Bennington, or may remove said jail for the purpose of erecting a new jail in said county, and if it shall be decided under this act to have only one set of county buildings in said county, and those located in some town other than Manchester, then said committee shall have like power to sell and convey, or remove the interest said county has in the jail and court house in said Manchester, and to apply the avails thereof toward the erection of the new county buildings.*

SECTION 7. *In case of a vacancy in said committee from any cause, the remaining members thereof are hereby authorized to fill the same by appointment. And during the period of such vacancy, or of a vacancy in the said commissioners provided for in the first section of this act, the other or others of said committee or commissioners may proceed in performance of the duties imposed on them by this act.*

SECTION 8. *There is hereby assessed a tax of forty cents on the dollar on the list of polls and ratable estate in the several towns in the county of Bennington for the year 1870, for the purpose of purchasing the lands by said committee and erecting county buildings thereon.*

SECTION 9. *The treasurer of said county is hereby directed to make and issue his warrant on or before the first day of June, 1870, to the first constables or collectors of taxes of the several towns in said county for the collection of said tax in the manner provided by law for the collection of State taxes.*

SECTION 10. *The selectmen of the several towns in said county shall, in the month of June, 1870, make out and deliver to the said first constables or collectors of taxes of their respective towns a tax-bill for the collection of said tax, and the amount thereof, except as hereinafter named, shall be paid into the treasury of said county on or before the first day of August, 1870.*

SECTION 11. *Instead of the credit mentioned in section sixty-four of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, the treasurer of the county shall credit each constable or collector of taxes one fortieth part of the sum contained in the warrant by him issued to each constable or collector of taxes, who shall be accountable to his town for so much of said fortieth part so credited as shall not be allowed by way of abatement to such constable or collector of taxes.*



**SECTION 12.** *The moneys so paid into the county treasurer and such as may be realized from such sale of county property, shall be subjected to the orders authorized to be drawn upon the county treasurer by this act.*

**SECTION 13.** *This act shall take effect from its passage ;*

Which was read the first and second time, and

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

**MR. SPEAKER:** I am directed by the Senate to return to the House Senate bill entitled

S. 49. An act regulating the attendance of teachers upon teachers' institutes.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 10. An act creating degrees in the crime of murder ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Joyce, from the Special Committee of the members from Rutland county, to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 211. An act laying a tax on the county of Rutland for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county ;

Reported the following substitute bill :

*An act laying a tax on the county of Rutland for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county and paying the indebtedness of the county.*

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont :*

**SECTION 1.** *There is assessed a tax of twenty cents on the dollar on the list of the polls and ratable estate of the several towns in the county of Rutland for the year A. D. 1869, for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county of Rutland, and paying the debts of the county.*

**SECTION 2.** *The treasurer of said county is directed, on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1870, to issue his warrant to the first constables or collectors of taxes in said towns in said county for the collection of said tax, in the same manner as by law State taxes are required to be collected.*

**SECTION 3.** *The selectmen of the several towns in said*

*county shall make and deliver to the first constables or collectors of taxes of their respective towns, in the month of January, A. D. 1870, a tax-bill for the collection of said tax, and the money assessed by this act shall be paid into the treasury of said county on or before the first day of June, A.D. 1870.*

SECTION 4. *Instead of the credit mentioned in section sixty-four of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, the treasurer of the county shall credit each constable or collector of taxes one fortieth part of the sums mentioned in the warrant by him issued as abatement; said constable or collector shall account to his town for so much of said fortieth part as shall not be allowed by way of abatement to said constable or collector.*

SECTION 5. *The money so assessed shall be paid out by the treasurer of said county in payment of orders drawn by John Prout, Loyal C. Kellogg, Allen Whedon, Sumner Briggs and Ebenezer Fisher, commissioners appointed by virtue of an act of the General Assembly of this State, approved November 19, A. D. 1868, entitled an act providing for building a court house in the county of Rutland, and laying a tax on said county; and any balance of money remaining in the treasury, after the payment of the orders of said commissioners, shall be appropriated to the payment of the general indebtedness of said county.*

SECTION 6. *In addition to the rights and powers granted to the said commissioners under and by virtue of the said act, entitled "An act providing for building a court house in the county of Rutland, and laying a tax on said county," approved November 19, A. D. 1868, the said commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to commence any and all legal proceedings, and prosecute the same to final judgment, which in their discretion may be necessary, to test the title of said county to the land on which the old court house stood or any part or portion of the land connected therewith which is now claimed by said county.*

SECTION 7. *This act shall take effect from its passage;*  
Which was read the first and second time, and  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Boyce moved that the vote refusing the passage to Senate bill entitled

S. 49. An act regulating the attendance of teachers upon teachers' institutes,

Be reconsidered ; pending the question, on motion of Mr. Glead, the bill was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for to-morrow afternoon at two and one half o'clock.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 167. An act in addition to section nineteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the reappraisal of real estate in certain cases ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; pending the question, shall the bill be read a third time, on motion, it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for to-morrow at two and one half o'clock, P. M.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds, the House adjourned.

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## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

A message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the 11th day of November he approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 111. An act in amendment of sections one, nineteen, forty-four, fifty-two, fifty-four, fifty-five, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six and sixty-seven of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;"

H. 81. An act to pay Franklin Butler the sum therein named ;

H. 142. An act to repeal an act approved November 1, 1867, entitled "An act to protect fish in Ticklenacked Pond ;"

H. 151. An act to pay Milton Clark the sum therein named ;

H. 163. An act changing the name of the Brandon Mineral Paint Company to the Leicester Mineral Paint Company ;

H. 23. An act to amend section one of chapter seventy-one of the General Statutes, relating to the rights of married women ;

H. 155. An act in amendment of an act passed November 26, A. D. 1853, incorporating the Springfield Wesleyan Seminary ;

H. 65. An act granting certain powers to Chester Academy and to school district No. 20 in Chester ;

H. 84. An act to incorporate the Burlington Savings Bank and Trust Company.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 89. An act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company ;

H. 131. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bakersfield for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 115. An act changing the name of Eddie Dearborn and constituting him heir-at-law of William and Jane L. Cheney ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have considered House bill of the following title :

H. 100. An act in addition to chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled " An act of the observance of the Sabbath and the disturbance of religious meetings ; "

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

Mr. Baldwin moved that during the remainder of this session the reading of the journal be dispensed with ;

Which was laid over under the rules.

Mr. Gleed presented the petitions of D. H. Clark and thirty-five others, Eliza M. Clark and fifty-five others, Julia H. Bailey and fifty-seven others, H. C. Wood and fifty-four others, J. S. Spaulding and fifty-four others, Hiram E. Manning and nineteen others, Oscar Atwood and fifty-eight

others, Rev. S. R. Hall and sixty-nine others, and A. F. Chapin and sixty others, in relation to the attendance of teachers upon teachers' institutes ;

Which were read, and

*Ordered* to lie.

Mr. Ripley, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 184. An act to amend section forty of chapter one hundred and twenty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of salaries and fees ;"

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 33. An act to protect fish in Tuttle Pond ;

S. 54. An act laying a tax on the Grand List of the towns of Ferdinand and Lewis ;

S. 59. An act in amendment of an act entitled an act in amendment of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes, entitled "Of public lands ;"

S. 65. An act changing the day of the annual meeting of the Board of Education ;

S. 66. An act to provide for the restoration of sea fish to the rivers of the State ;

S. 70. An act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company ;

S. 75. An act in amendment of section fifty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ;"

S. 76. An act to entitle school districts to send scholars to academies ;

S. 77. An act to incorporate the Beeman Academy in New Haven ;

S. 79. An act to incorporate the People's Savings and Trust Company ;

S. 81. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have concurred in the House proposals of amendment to Senate bill entitled

S. 34. An act changing the name of and relating to the Northfield Cemetery Association.

The Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed a bill entitled

S. 2. An act defining who shall be voters in town meeting.

Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 194. An act fixing the salaries of the judges of the supreme court;

Reported in favor of its passage; the question being, Shall the bill be read a third time?

Mr. Butterfield demanded the previous question, which was seconded, and the main question ordered and put, to wit:

Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the negative—yeas 68, nays 143.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Bull, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Aldrich,	Day,	Page,
Allis,	Dickey,	Parker of Lowell,
Andrew,	Edson,	Peabody,
Batcheller,	Estey,	Peak,
Baldwin,	Farnsworth,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Ballard,	Foster of Wolcott,	Pollard,
Barnes,	Frisbie,	Remington,
Bartlett,	Gibb,	Richmond,
Bebee,	Gleed,	Safford,
Benton,	Goff,	Salisbury,
Bisbee,	Goodsell,	Smith of Stowe,
Brewer,	Graham,	Stanton,
Briggs,	Grout,	Stevens,
Burt,	Grover,	Stone,
Canfield,	Hill of Middlebury,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Hopkins,	Underwood,
Carpenter,	Hunt of St. Albans,	Warner,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Jones,	Weed,
Colburn,	Joyce,	Wheelock,
Conkey,	Lynde,	Whitcomb,
Cowles,	Manning,	Williams,
Curtis,	Niles,	Wood—68.
Darling,	North,	

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Abell,	Brigham of Bakersfield,	Clark of Lincoln,
Aiken,	Brigham of Essex,	Clark of Randolph,
Alden,	Brigham of Pittsfield,	Cobb,
Bailey,	Brown of Norwich,	Coburn,
Barrett of Underhill,	Brown of Richford,	Cook of Elmore,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Bull,	Cook of West Fairlee,
Benedict,	Butterfield,	Deming,
Bigelow,	Cardell,	Dike,
Bishop,	Chamberlain of Reading,	Dow,
Boyce,	Chase of Concord,	Downing,
Boynnton,	Chase of Jay,	Dutton,
Brewster,	Clark of Groton,	Eaton,

Eddy,  
Edgerton,  
Everts,  
Farnan,  
Farrar,  
Fenn,  
Freeman,  
Gambell,  
Gay,  
Giffin,  
Goodrich,  
Gordon,  
Hall,  
Hamblet,  
Hamilton,  
Harrington,  
Hazeltime,  
Hedden,  
Hemenway,  
Hewitt,  
Hill of Hubbardton,  
Holden,  
Holman,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Holton,  
Hooker,  
Howard,  
Hubbard,  
Humphrey,  
Hunt of Guilford,  
Huntington,  
Huntoon,  
Hurd,  
Hurlburt,  
Isham,

Jackson of Orange,  
Jackson of Panton,  
Jenkins,  
Jewett,  
Johnson of Vernon,  
Kemp,  
Kennaon,  
King of Mt. Tabor,  
King of Tunbridge,  
Kingsbury,  
Kinsley,  
Knapp,  
Kneeland,  
Knowlton,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of Montpelier,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Leonard,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Marsh,  
Mason,  
McKnight,  
Merrill,  
Miles,  
Moore,  
Morgan,  
Morse,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Danby,  
Nichols of Lunenburg,  
Nibkerson,  
Ober,  
Paine,  
Palmer,  
Parker of Sharon,

Phelps,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pratt,  
Purmort,  
Reed,  
Reynolds,  
Rice,  
Ridley,  
Ripley,  
Scott,  
Severance,  
Shuffleton,  
Simons,  
Smith of Barnet,  
Smith of Hartland,  
Soule,  
Southwick,  
Spaulding,  
Stoddard,  
Strong,  
Stuart,  
Thompson,  
Upham,  
Walker of Clarendon,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Washburn,  
Way,  
Wentworth,  
Wetherby,  
Wheat,  
Wheeler,  
White of Eden,  
White of Springfield,  
Whitney,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wright—143.

So the third reading of the bill was refused.

The Speaker announced as the select Committee on House bill entitled

H. 225. An act relating to the establishment and discontinuance of side tracks and depots:

Mr. Grout of Barton,  
“ Joyce of Rutland,  
“ Jewett of Granville,  
“ Chamberlain of Reading,  
“ Salisbury of Townshend.

On motion of Mr. Boyce, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows:

S. 79. An act to incorporate the People's Savings and Trust Company;

To the Committee on Banks.

S. 77. An act to incorporate the Beeman Academy in New Haven;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 70. An act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 76. An act to entitle school districts to send scholars to academies;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 66. An act to provide for the restoration of sea fish to the rivers of Vermont;

To the General Committee.

S. 33. An act to protect fish in Tuttle Pond;

To the General Committee.

S. 65. An act changing the day of the annual meeting of the Board of Education;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 81. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company;

To the Committee on Manufactures.

S. 54. An act laying a tax on the grand list of the towns of Ferdinand and Lewis;

To the General Committee.

S. 59. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act in amendment of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes, entitled 'Of public lands;'"

To the Committee on Education.

S. 75. An act in amendment of section fifty of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges;"

To the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries.

A Communication from his Excellency, the Governor, as follows:

STATE OF VERMONT, }

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 12, 1869. }

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith to the House of Representatives the twentieth (20th) Annual Report of the National Life Insurance Company.

PETER T. WASHBURN.



Which, with the accompanying Report, was referred to the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule.

Mr. Jones, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill entitled

H. 246. An act to incorporate the Shoreham Cheese Manufacturing Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Jewett presented the petition of Luke Tarbell and fifty others, asking for the passage of House bill entitled

H. 225. An act relating to the establishment and discontinuance of side tracks and depots ;

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Joyce presented the petition of John W. Cranton and twenty-seven others, asking the amendment of "An act authorizing certain towns to aid in the construction of the Rutland and Woodstock Railroad," approved November 19, 1868 ;

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Railroads.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 33. An act to incorporate the Grand Isle Steamboat Company ;

H. 102. An act to amend the charter of the Free Press Association ;

H. 131. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bakersfield for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 156. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, and to extend its powers.

Bills of the following titles were severally reported in favor of their passage and ordered to be read the third time :

By Mr. Hooker, from the General Committee,

H. 226. An act changing the name of Lillie May Kenyon.

By Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List,

H. 202. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chelsea for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869;

H. 231. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Victory for the years 1868 and 1869;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Guilford.

By Mr. Holton, from the General Committee,

H. 205. An act to prevent the destruction of Fish.

By Mr. Barrett of Weathersfield, from the same Committee,

H. 207. An act to protect fish in Spencer Hollow Brook and its tributaries.

By Mr. Carpenter, from the Committee on Town Lines,

H. 148. An act incorporating the town of Stannard.

By Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads,

H. 203. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Orange and Windsor to aid in the construction of the West Fairlee Railroad;

H. 204. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Fairfax Railroad;

H. 206. An act to enable the towns and cities therein named to aid in the construction of the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad;

H. 114. An act authorizing the Lamoille Valley Railroad Company to construct and extend its Railroad to Maquam Bay in the town of Swanton;

H. 190. An act to incorporate the Wantasticet Valley Railroad Company.

Bills of the following titles were severally reported adversely to their passage, and their third reading refused:

By Mr. Hubbard, from the Committee on Corporations,

H. 107. An act to incorporate the Guilford Hotel Company;

H. 217. An act to incorporate the Rutland Cheese Factory Company.

Senate bill entitled

S. 49. An act regulating the attendance of teachers upon Teachers' Institutes,

Being the special order, was taken up, and the question

being, Shall the vote refusing the passage of the bill be reconsidered? it was decided in the affirmative; thereupon the bill was passed in concurrence.

Mr. Graham, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 86. An act in relation to insurance agents;

Reported in favor of its passage; the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? Mr. Barnes moved to propose to the Senate to amend the bill in section one, line fourteen, by inserting after the word "*person*" the following: "*not an actual resident of this State*;"

Which was agreed to; and the bill as amended was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with a proposal of amendment.

Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 37. An act to empower the persons therein named to improve the Gihen and Belvidere Branches;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section four by striking out all of said section after the word "*the*" in line seven, and inserting the following: "*first selectmen of each of the towns of Belvidere, Waterville, Cambridge, Eden and Johnson, through which the streams pass, who together or by a majority, shall constitute a board, and shall have authority to hear and determine all questions of toll, and fix the same; and their decisions shall be final, and whenever application shall be made to said selectmen, they shall give seasonable notice, in writing, to all parties interested, of the time and place of hearing; and it is hereby provided in this act that all persons now owning, or who hereafter may own, saw-mills on said streams, shall have the privilege of floating logs of their own to their own mills, free of toll*;"

Which was agreed to; and on motion of Mr. Joyce, the bill as amended was

Ordered to lie, and be made the special order for to-morrow afternoon at two and one half o'clock.

Mr. Allis introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That no member shall be allowed more than five minutes at one time in the discussion of any question, nor shall he speak more than twice, unless by consent of this House;

Which was read, and on motion of Mr. Wood,

Ordered to lie.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List, reported a bill entitled

H. 247. An act relating to the Grand List;  
Which was read the first and second time, and

*Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow afternoon.

House bill entitled

H. 167. An act in addition to section nineteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the re-appraisal of real estate in certain cases,

Being the special order, was taken up, and the question being, Shall the bill be ordered to be read the third time?

Mr. Wood moved to amend in section one, by striking out the first seven lines, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "*Whenever it shall appear to the listers of any town or gore in this State that there has been a large depreciation in the value of any real estate in said town or gore, by reason of fire, flood, or other accident, they may appraise the same and make suitable deductions therefrom.*"

Also, in section one, by striking out all of said section after the word "*thereon*;"

Which were agreed to, and the bill as amended

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Rice, from the Committee on Land Taxes to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 130. An act laying a tax on the lands in Avery's and Buel's Gores, in the county of Chittenden;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by filling the blank in section one with the word "*fifteen*;"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred Senate bills entitled

S. 6. An act in amendment of an act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington, Caledonia and Orange to aid in the construction of the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad, approved October 30, 1868;

S. 8. An act to incorporate the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad Company;

Reported in favor of their passage; thereupon they were severally read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Ladd, from the select Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 132. An act to amend an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out section one of said bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. *Section three of an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Burlington, approved November 25, 1864," is hereby amended by adding after the words "State Prison," in said section, the following: "Except offenses within the jurisdiction of a justice of the peace to try and determine, which are committed without said city by a respondent residing without said city;"*

Which was agreed to; thereupon the bill as amended was Ordered to be read the third time.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:  
*To the House of Representatives now in session:*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval:

H. 33. An act to incorporate the Grand Isle Steamboat Company;

H. 156. An act in addition to an act to incorporate the village of Montpelier, approved November 14, 1855, and to extend its powers;

H. 89. An act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company;

H. 115. An act changing the name of Eddie Dearborn and constituting him heir-at-law of William and Jane L. Cheney;

H. 131. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bakersfield for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Richford, the House adjourned.

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. Mr. Harlow of Bradford.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Carpenter presented a remonstrance against the passage of House bill entitled

H. 208. An act to authorize improvements in Clyde River;

Which was read, and referred to the General Committee.

Bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 164. An act relating to railroads;

H. 244. An act making provision for the support of Government;

H. 212. An act to incorporate the Montpelier Savings and Trust Company;

H. 210. An act granting a ferry to John Quincy Adams;

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond;

H. 48. An act to amend the charter of the Burlington Manufacturing Company;

H. 216. An act to change the name of Marion W. Washburn;

H. 215. An act altering the name of Emery Jones Smith to Emery Jones Parsons;

H. 220. An act relating to the Cemetery in Wells River Village;

H. 170. An act relating to Library Associations;

H. 214. An act changing the name of Michael McTague to Myron Montague;

H. 185. An act in amendment of section thirty of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the grand list;

H. 181. An act in amendment of section eighty-one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables;

H. 82. An act in amendment of section one of an act to incorporate the Barre Hotel Company, approved November 12, 1859;

H. 146. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Phoenix Company ;

H. 154. An act to incorporate the Manchester and Jamaica Railroad Company ;

H. 239. An act laying a tax on the county of Rutland for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county, and paying the indebtedness of the county ;

H. 106. An act to incorporate the Battenkill and Pawlet Rivers Railroad Company ;

H. 238. An act providing for the location and erection of county buildings in the county of Bennington, and laying a tax therefor ;

H. 197. An act to incorporate the Caledonia County Trust Company.

Mr. Hinckley, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill entitled

H. 248. An act relating to the supreme court ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

House bill entitled

H. 122. An act laying a tax on lands in the town of Stratton ;

Was read the third time, and the question being, Shall the bill pass ? Mr. Knowlton moved that it be committed to a member to amend in section one, lines thirteen and fourteen, by striking out the words "*appointed a committee*" and inserting in lieu thereof the word *authorized* ; also, in the same section, in line twenty-one, by striking out the words "*appointed a collector*," and inserting in lieu thereof the word *authorized* ;

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley ;

H. 80. An act to incorporate the Lamoille Valley Junction Railroad Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Also,

H. 78. An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to flowage ;"

H. 104. An act relating to ditches and water courses ;  
And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals  
of amendment ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is  
requested.

House bill entitled

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas  
Manufacturing Company,

Was read the third time and passed.

House bill entitled

H. 180. An act in addition to an act approved Novem-  
ber 9, 1865, entitled "An act providing for taxing bank  
stock in the several banking associations in this State, formed  
under an act of Congress approved June 3, 1864, entitled  
"An act to provide a national currency,"

Was read the third time, and the question being, Shall  
the bill pass? it was decided in the negative—yeas 48,  
nays 145.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Gleed, were  
taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abell,	Fenn,	Leonard,
Alden,	Freeman,	Lynde,
Allis,	Gay,	Paine,
Baldwin,	Goodrich,	Phelps,
Ballard,	Gordon,	Pratt,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Hamblet,	Ripley,
Boyce,	Hedden,	Salisbury,
Boynton,	Hill of Hubbardton,	Scott,
Bromley,	Holbrook,	Shuffleton,
Brown of Norwich,	Hunt of Guilford,	Simons,
Butterfield,	Huntoon,	Southwick,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Jackson of Pantou,	Strong,
Chamberlain of Reading,	Jenkins,	Walker of Londonderry,
Clark of Williston,	Johnson of Sherburne,	Wheat,
Dutton,	Kenaston,	Whitney,
Eaton,	Knapp,	Wright—48.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Carleton,	Edson,
Aiken,	Carpenter,	Estey,
Andrew,	Chase of Concord,	Everts,
Bailey,	Chase of Jay,	Farman,
Barnes,	Clark of Lincoln,	Farnsworth,
Barney,	Clark of Randolph,	Farrar,
Barrett of Underhill,	Coburn,	Foster of Sudbury,
Benedict,	Colburn,	Foster of Wolcott,
Benton,	Cook of West Fairlee,	Frisbie,
Bisbee,	Cowles,	Gambell,
Bishop,	Curtis,	Gibb,
Brewster,	Darling,	Giffin,
Briggs,	Day,	Gleed,
Briham of Essex,	Deming,	Goodsell,
Brigham of Pittsfield,	Dike,	Graham,
Brown of Richford,	Dow,	Grover,
Bull,	Eddy,	Hall,
Cardell,	Edgerton,	Harrington,



Hazeltine,  
Hemenway,  
Hewitt,  
Hill of Middlebury,  
Hinekley,  
Holden,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Holton,  
Hooker,  
Hopkins,  
Hoskison,  
Howard,  
Hubbard,  
Hunt of St. Albans,  
Huntington,  
Isham,  
Jewett,  
Johnson of Vernon,  
Joyce,  
Keeler,  
Kemp,  
King of Mt. Tabor,  
Kingsbury,  
Kneeland,  
Knowlton,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of Montpelier,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Long,  
Manning.

Marsh,  
Mason,  
Merrill,  
Miles,  
Moore,  
Morgan,  
Morse,  
Nichols of Danby,  
Nichols of Lunenburgh,  
Nickerson,  
Niles,  
North,  
Ober,  
Ormsby,  
Page,  
Palmer,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Parker of Sharon,  
Peabody,  
Peak,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pierce of Shaftsbury,  
Pollard,  
Purmort,  
Reed,  
Remington,  
Rice,  
Richmond,  
Ridley,  
Ross,

Safford,  
Severance,  
Silsby,  
Smith of Barnet,  
Smith of Hartland,  
Smith of Stowe,  
Spaulding,  
Stanton,  
Stevens,  
Stoddard,  
Stone,  
Stuart,  
Taylor,  
Thompson,  
Wales,  
Warner,  
Washburn,  
Way,  
Weed,  
Wentworth,  
Wetherby,  
Wheeler,  
Wheelock,  
White of Eden,  
White of Springfield,  
Willey,  
Williams,  
Wood,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wooster of Marshfield—145.

So the passage of the bill was refused.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed a bill originating in the House, of the following title, viz.:

H. 89. An act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company.

Mr. Jones, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill entitled

H. 249. An act in amendment of "An act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Safford, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Mr. Dickey, by unanimous consent, introduced a bill entitled

H. 250. An act to incorporate the Bradford Trust Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Banks.

House bills of the following titles were severally reported favorably to their passage and ordered to be read the third time :

By Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations,

H. 74. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act establishing a corporation by the name of the Champlain Transportation Company."

By Mr. White, from the General Committee,

H. 243. An act to constitute Eddie Marshall Smith of Wolcott, heir-at-law of Philander and Mary Smith.

By Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads,

H. 165. An act to incorporate the Rutland and Bethel Railroad Company ;

H. 143. An act in amendment of section seven of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Killington Railroad Company," approved November 19, 1868.

By Mr. Baldwin, from the Committee on Education,

H. 227. An act to amend section five of an act entitled "An act authorizing towns to establish central schools."

By Mr. Gay, from the Committee on Corporations,

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Mt. Tabor Mineral Spring and Hotel Company ;

H. 145. An act to incorporate the Vergennes Navigation Company.

By Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

H. 248. An act relating to the supreme court.

By Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations,

H. 249. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company.

By Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 221. An act relating to the authorization of persons to serve process.

By Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations,  
H. 228. An act to incorporate the village of Benson.

By Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries,

H. 201. An act providing for the temporary discontinuance of highways.

By Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 241. An act in addition to chapter thirty-four of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings against trustees.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

S. 11. An act relating to pleadings and proceedings in certain criminal cases;

S. 78. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Trust Company;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

House bills of the following titles were severally reported adversely to their passage, and the third reading thereof refused:

By Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations,  
H. 246. An act to incorporate the Shoreham Cheese Manufacturing Company.

By Mr. Allis, from the General Committee,  
H. 229. An act to protect fish in Mills Pond.

By Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries,

H. 237. An act in relation to highways.

By Mr. Allis, from the General Committee,  
H. 169. An act to protect fish in Milligan Pond.

By Mr. Baldwin, from the Committee on Education,  
H. 209. An act for the promotion of anatomical science.

By Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 45. An act to amend chapter one hundred and twelve

of the General Statutes, entitled "Of offenses against the lives and persons of individuals."

By Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
H. 118. An act in amendment of the existing law relating to the sale of the estates of deceased persons.

By Mr. Farnsworth, from the Committee on Education,  
H. 144. An act in addition to chapter ninety of the General Statutes.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 11. An act relating to pleadings and proceedings in certain criminal cases ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 78. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Trust Company ;

To the Committee on Banks.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally reported favorably to their passage, read the third time and passed in concurrence :

By Mr. Gleed, from the Committee on Education,

S. 77. An act to incorporate the Beeman Academy in New Haven.

By Mr. Estey, from the Committee on Manufactures,

S. 81. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company.

By Mr. Hinckley, from the Committee on Claims,

S. 38. An act to pay Peter Lander, Jr., the sum therein named.

By Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

S. 11. An act relating to pleadings and proceedings in certain criminal cases.

By Mr. Graham, from the General Committee,

S. 54. An act laying a tax on the grand list of the towns of Ferdinand and Lewis.

By Mr. Ladd, from the Committee on Corporations,

S. 70. An act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company.

By Mr. Farnsworth, from the Committee on Education,

S. 59. An act in amendment of an act entitled " An act

in amendment of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes, entitled 'Of public lands.'"

Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was recommitteed House bill entitled

H. 47. An act to incorporate the Northeastern Mutual Life Association;

Reported the same without expression of opinion; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Page, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 240. An act to pay Charles S. Hogle the sum therein mentioned;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section —, line three, by filling the blank with "*fifteen and 33-100 dollars*;"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Grout, from the Committee on Military Affairs to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 183. An act authorizing the State Treasurer to pay certain soldiers therein named;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line three, by inserting after the word "*persons*" the words "*their heirs or legal representatives*."

Also, by adding to said section the following: "*provided, that no soldiers so enlisted, their heirs or representatives, shall be entitled to receive any pay under this act, after June 1st, 1865*;"

Which were agreed to; and the question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? it was decided in the negative.

The report of the Committee on Mileage and Debentures was corrected and adopted.

Mr. Wales, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 65. An act changing the day of the annual meeting of the Board of Education;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines nine and ten, by striking out the words "*one special meeting during the recess of the Legislature*," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "*such special meetings during the recess of the Legislature as shall be necessary*;"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with proposals of amendment.

Mr. Gleed, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 174. An act relating to the Normal Schools of this State ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line one, by filling the blank with the words "*one thousand.*"

Also, in lines four and five, by filling the blanks with the words "*five hundred,*" respectively.

Also, in the same section, by striking out all after the word "*Johnson ;*"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was  
*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Graham, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 75. An act to amend section four of an act approved November 19, 1866, entitled "An act for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont ;"

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by adding the following :

SECTION 3. *If any person shall have any trout in his possession during the season in which their taking is prohibited by law, or during the season when their taking is allowed by law, bearing the evidences of having been snared, grubbed, or speared, it shall be prima facie evidence that said trout were taken contrary to law, and the person having said trout in his possession shall be liable to the same penalties provided by section five of an act to provide for the restoration and preservation of fish in Vermont, approved November 19, 1866, and to be recovered in the same manner ;*

Which was agreed to, and the question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be read the third time ? it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 222. An act regulating the collection of highway taxes ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out all after the enacting clause, and substituting therefor the following :

SECTION 1. *If any highway tax or balance of tax in the hands of any highway surveyor shall remain unpaid on the first day of April in each year, such highway surveyor shall file a certified list of the names of all delinquents, with the amount due from each, in the town clerk's office within ten days thereafter.*

SECTION 2. *The average of tax so returned against any person shall be added to his or her town tax respectively, for the then current year, and shall be collected and paid into the town treasury.*

SECTION 3. *All moneys thus collected between the first day of June and the first day of November of the year in which it is paid in, be expended in the same highway district from which it was received, under the order and direction of the selectmen.*

SECTION 4. *All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.*

SECTION 5. *This act shall take effect from its passage ;*

Which was agreed to, and the question being, Shall the bill as amended be ordered to be read the third time ? it was dismissed.

Mr. Graham, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 66. An act to provide for the restoration of sea fish to the rivers of Vermont ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and, on motion of Mr. Gleed, was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Monday afternoon at two and one half o'clock.

Mr. Gleed moved that the vote refusing the third reading of House bill entitled

H. 75. An act to amend section four of an act approved November 19, 1866, entitled " An act for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont,"

Be reconsidered ; pending the question, Shall the vote be reconsidered ? on motion of Mr. Colburn, it was

*Ordered* to lie, and be made the special order for Monday afternoon at two and one half o'clock.

Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 63. An act to incorporate the Plainfield Building Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Grover, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 150. An act relating to "The Company for rendering Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls;"

Reported the following substitute bill:

H. 251. *An act relating to the Company for rendering Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls.*

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, as follows:*

SECTION 1. *The Company for rendering the Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls shall hereafter be known by the corporate name of the Bellows Falls Canal Company.*

SECTION 2. *All the rights and privileges heretofore granted said Company are hereby extended to them for the purpose of manufacturing, selling or renting of water power, and the transacting of such other business as may be incident thereto. They may at any and all legal meetings make, and having made, may alter, add to or amend, such by-laws, rules and regulations for the management of their business as shall not be repugnant to the laws of this State or of the United States. May fix the amount of their capital stock and divide the same into such number of shares as a majority of the stockholders may deem best. Said shares shall not be subject to assessment beyond their par value; and said Company shall have and enjoy all the rights incident to corporations.*

SECTION 3. *The capital stock of said Company actually paid in shall not be withdrawn or in any manner diverted from the business of said Company, and if at any time the indebtedness of said Company shall exceed three fourths of the capital stock actually paid in, the directors and stockholders of said Company shall be personally liable for such excess.*

SECTION 4. *Said canal around said falls and all the land adjacent thereto and now owned by said Company, together with all the improvements which have been or shall hereafter be erected thereon, including buildings, and machinery in said buildings, and all the capital used for operating the same, are hereby exempted from taxation for the term of ten years from the passage of this act, provided that improvements shall be made to or upon said property to the amount of ten thousand*



*dollars in one year, and one hundred thousand dollars within five years from the passage of this act.*

SECTION 5. *The Legislature shall have power to alter, amend or repeal this act or any part thereof, at any time.*

SECTION 6. *This act shall take effect from its passage.*

Which was read the first and second time, and

*Ordered* to lie, be printed, and be made the special order for Monday next at two and one half o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Grover, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 218. An act in alteration of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of private corporations;"

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines twelve and thirteen, by striking out the words "*or for carrying on any other business within this State not prohibited by the laws thereof,*" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "*or for erecting or repairing buildings and renting or selling the same, or for purchasing or owning mineral springs and for bottling and selling the waters thereof, with right to do such business as is incident thereto;*"

Which was agreed to, and the bill was

*Ordered* to be read the third time.

Mr. Jones, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 76. An act to entitle school districts to send scholars to academies;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section two, line two, by striking out the word "*to*" after the word district, and insert in lieu thereof the words "*the right.*"

Also in line three of the same section, by inserting after the word manner the word "*to;*"

Which were agreed to, and the bill as amended read the third time and passed in concurrence, with proposals of amendments.

Mr. Barney, from the Committee on Highways, Bridges and Ferries to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 75. An act in amendment of section fifty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges;"

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 195. An act for apportioning between towns the expense of supporting extra highways, &c.;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines five and six by striking out the words "by being required to support," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: *by the support of*;

Which were agreed to, and the question being, Shall the bill as amended pass? on motion, the bill was dismissed.

House bills of the following titles were taken up, having been returned from the Senate with proposals of amendment:

H. 104. An act relating to ditches and water courses;

By striking out the words "fence viewers" wherever they occur, and insert in lieu thereof the words *selectmen*.

Also, by adding to section four the following: *which shall be at least ten days before the time set for hearing.*

Also, by adding the following sections:

SECTION 8. *If any owner of land through which a drain is to be constructed shall claim damage therefor, the selectmen shall hear the parties interested therein, and may award such damages to the owner of such land as they shall judge reasonable to be paid by the parties benefitted thereby, in such proportions as such selectmen shall deem just.*

SECTION 9. *Any person owning land through which a ditch or drain is to be laid, may appeal from the decision or award of the selectmen to the next stated term of the county court within and for the county in which said land is situated, by entering into a recognizance with good and sufficient sureties before said board of selectmen, in such sums as said selectmen require, conditioned that said appellants shall prosecute said appeal to effect and pay all intervening damages and costs in case said decision or award is affirmed. And upon said appeal being so entered in county court by the report of the decision or award of the selectmen in writing with the recognizance aforesaid, the county court may in their discretion, upon hearing, accept or reject said report, or may appoint a commission consisting of three disinterested freeholders of the vicinity, who shall make an examination of the premises, and after due hearing, upon notice to all parties interested as aforesaid, make report thereof to the next stated term of said county court.*

SECTION 10. *The county court shall make all necessary orders, judgments and decrees to carry out the decisions upon the report of said selectmen or commissioners, and tax cost as may seem right and proper.*

SECTION 11. *A certified copy of the report of the selectmen or commissioners, finally accepted by the county court, together with the orders, judgments and decrees in said court, shall be recorded in the town clerk's office where said lands are situated.*

SECTION 12. *All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this, are hereby repealed.*

H. 78. An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to flowage ;"

By adding to section four the following : "*And no action for damages shall be sustained by the petitionee against the petitioner for such damages during the pendency of such petition, but the court before which such petition is pending, or any judge thereof, may order such security for damages to be given by the petitioner to the petitionee, as such court or judge shall deem expedient.*"

And the proposals of amendment were severally adopted in concurrence.

Mr. Baldwin called up his motion to dispense with the reading of the journal during the remainder of the session, and pending the question, Shall the motion prevail ?

On motion of Mr. Abell, the House adjourned.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was by a unanimous vote of the House dispensed with.

Mr. Gleed introduced the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That section twenty-six of the Rules of the House, requiring the engrossment of bills before the third

reading of the same, be suspended for the remainder of the session ;

Which was read and adopted.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed, as follows :

H. 202. An act to legalize the Grand List of the town of Chelsea for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 234. An act to legalize the Grand List of the town of Guilford ;

H. 130. An act laying a tax on the lands in Avery's Gore and Buel's Gore, in the County of Chittenden ;

H. 231. An act to legalize the Grand List of the town of Victory for the years 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 228. An act to incorporate the village of Benson ;

H. 249. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company ;

H. 174. An act relating to Normal Schools of this State ;

H. 227. An act to amend section five of an act entitled "An act authorizing towns to establish Central Schools ;"

H. 145. An act to incorporate the Vergennes Navigation Company ;

H. 243. An act to constitute Eddie Marshall Smith of Wolcott, heir-at-law of Philander and Mary Smith.

H. 74. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act establishing a corporation by the name of the Champlain Transportation Company ;"

H. 240. An act to pay Charles S. Hoyle the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 148. An act incorporating the town of Stannard ;

H. 226. An act changing the name of Lillie May Kenyon ;

H. 205. An act to prevent the destruction of fish ;

H. 114. An act authorizing the Lamoille Valley Railroad Company to construct and extend its Railroad to Maquam Bay in the town of Swanton ;

H. 203. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Orange and Windsor to aid in the construction of the West Fairlee Railroad ;

H. 207. An act to protect fish in Spencer Hollow Brook and its tributaries ;

H. 132. An act to amend an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Burlington, approved November 22, 1864 ;' "

H. 204. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Fairfax Railroad ;

H. 206. An act to enable the towns and cities therein named to aid in the construction of the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad ;

H. 190. An act to incorporate the Wantasticet Valley Railroad Company ;

H. 167. An act in addition to section nineteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the reappraisal of real estate in certain cases ;

H. 47. An act to incorporate the Northeastern Mutual Life Association.

Mr. Wood moved that the vote refusing the passage to Senate bill entitled

S. 11. An act relating to pleadings and proceedings in certain criminal cases,

Be reconsidered, which was agreed to ; and the bill re-committed

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Jones moved that the vote passing House bill entitled

H. 174. An act relating to the Normal Schools of this State,

Be reconsidered, which was agreed to ; and the bill re-committed

To the Committee on Education.

House bills of the following titles were, by unanimous consent, severally introduced, read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

By Mr. Langdon of Montpelier,

H. 252. An act constituting Willery M. Hoyt and Emery M. Currier heirs-at-law of Charles H. and Mary P. French ;

To the General Committee.

By Mr. Wood,

H. 253. An act to legalize certain acts of the town of Castleton ;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Benton,

H. 254. An act to legalize the Grand List of the town of Bennington for the year 1868 ;

To the Committee on the Grand List.

A message was received from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

**MR. SPEAKER:** I am directed to inform the House that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate of the following titles:

S. 60. An act providing for taxing stock in trust companies and other moneyed corporations organized, or which may be organized, under the laws of this State; •

S. 84. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Rutland," approved November 15, 1847, and in alteration and amendment of an act in amendment thereof, approved November 9, 1865;

S. 39. An act to provide for the employment of a Reporter in county courts;

S. 22. An act to enable the proprietors and pew owners in the Union meeting house in Corinth to dispose of the same;

S. 49. An act regulating the attendance of teachers upon teachers' institutes;

S. 70. An act creating degrees in the crime of murder;

S. 24. An act to amend chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of traffic in intoxicating drinks;"

S. 34. An act changing the name and relating to the Northfield Cemetery Association;

S. 6. An act in amendment of "An act to enable the towns in the counties of Washington, Caledonia and Orange to aid in the construction of the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad," approved October 30, 1868;

S. 8. An act to incorporate the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad Company;

S. 2. An act defining who shall be voters in town meetings.

I am also directed to inform the House that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

S. 31. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act for organizing the militia;"

S. 69. An act relating to the descent and distribution of intestate estates;

S. 83. An act in addition to an act approved November 19, 1868, relating to teachers' institutes;

S. 84. An act in amendment of an act approved November 19, 1856, entitled "An act to incorporate the Lyndon Mill Company;"

S. 85. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act

to authorize the removal of obstructions from the Passumpsic River ;”

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have also adopted on their part a joint resolution relating to the pay of sweepers ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have considered House bills of the following titles :

H. 49. An act relating to Phillips Academy and school district No. 26 in the town of Danville ;

H. 98. An act in amendment of section thirty-three of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes entitled “ Of the collection of taxes ;”

H. 157. An act relating to the assessment of State taxes ;

H. 158. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the National Trust Company, approved November 19, 1868 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Also

H. 135. An act in alteration of section seventy of chapter thirty-one of the General Statutes, entitled “ Justices of the Peace ;”

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

They have also considered House proposal of amendment to a bill entitled

S. 36. An act in relation to insurance agents ;

And have concurred therein.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 69. An act relating to the descent and distribution of intestate estates ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 31. An act in amendment of an act entitled “ An act for organizing the militia ;”

To the Committee on Military Affairs.

S. 85. An act in amendment of an act entitled “ An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from the Passumpsic River ;”

To the General Committee.

S. 83. An act in addition to an act, approved November 19, 1868, relating to teachers’ institutes ;

To the Committee on Education.

S. 84. An act in amendment of an act approved November 19, 1856, entitled "An act to incorporate the Lyndon Mill Company;"

To the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Pierce, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 78. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Trust Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Pierce, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 250. An act to incorporate the Bradford Trust Company;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section fifteen, line fourteen, by striking out the words "*exclusive of the buildings;*"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Holton, from the General Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 33. An act to protect fish in Tuttle Pond;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Butterfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 41. An act to prevent the careless use of firearms;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out all after the enacting clause of said bill and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

*Sec. 1. Any person who shall, without malice, intentionally point or aim any firearm at or toward any other person, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars nor less than five dollars.*

*Sec. 2. Any person who shall, without malice, accidentally discharge any firearm intentionally aimed at or toward any person, yet without injury to any such person, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars nor less than twenty dollars.*

*Sec. 3. Any person who shall, without malice, maim, injure, or cause the death of any other person by the accidental discharge of any firearm intentionally pointed or aimed at*



*any such person, shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail not more than six months, or by fine not less than one hundred dollars, or both of said punishments, in the discretion of the court.*

*Sec. 4. This act shall take effect from its passage ;*

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was read the third time and passed.

Mr. White, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 232. An act to provide for an inspector of lumber and shingles, and prescribing his duties ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was *Ordered* to be read the third time to-morrow morning.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed a bill originating in the House, of the following title :

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered a House bill entitled

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have also adopted on their part a joint resolution relating to the State Library ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 90. An act to incorporate the Waterbury National Trust Company ;

S. 92. An act to incorporate the Union Trust Company ;  
In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have considered House proposal of amendment to a bill entitled

S. 76. An act to entitle school districts to send scholars to academies ;

And have concurred therein.

House bill entitled

H. 247. An act relating to the grand list,

Was read the third time, and pending the question, Shall the bill pass ? on motion, it was recommitted to the Committee on the Grand List.

Joint resolution from the Senate as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the Trustees of the State Library be authorized to purchase a complete set of the English Statutes for the Library ;  
Which was read and adopted in concurrence.

House bill entitled

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover,

Was taken up, having been returned from the Senate with the following proposal of amendment, viz : by adding to section one, the following : "*And provided that this act shall not take effect unless the present towns of Wilmington and Dover shall accept the provisions of this act by a vote of town meetings warned and holden prior to the last day of March next. But if either of said towns shall fail to hold such meeting on or before the last day of March aforesaid, then such town shall be considered as acquiescing in the provisions of this act ;*"

Which were agreed to.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 90. An act to incorporate the Waterbury National Trust Company ;

To the Committee on Banks.

S. 92. An act to incorporate the Union Trust Company ;  
To the Committee on Banks.

Mr. Joyce from the Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule to whom was referred the 20th annual report of the National Life Insurance Company, submitted the following report:

*To the House of Representatives:*

The Committee under the Fourth Joint Rule to whom was referred the 20th annual report of the National Life Insurance Company, together with a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, transmitting the same to the General Assembly, beg leave to report that they have duly examined and considered the said report and said communication, and recommend that it be received and printed in the journal of the House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

C. H. JOYCE, for Committee.

Which was read and adopted.

(For Report, see Appendix.)

Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 253. An act to legalize certain acts of the town of Castleton;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Colburn, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Runaway Pond Railroad Company;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line twenty-one, by striking out the words "*Grand Trunk*," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*Atlantic and St. Lawrence*."

Also, in line twenty-four of the same section, by striking out the words "*Grand Trunk*," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*Atlantic and St. Lawrence*."

Also, in section four, lines sixteen and seventeen, by inserting the words "*John M. Bartlett, G. G. Waterhouse and W. R. Rosenbrook*,"

Which were severally agreed to, and the bill read the third time and passed.

Senate bill entitled

S. 66. An act to provide for the restoration of sea fish to the rivers of the State,

Was taken up as the special order, and passed in concurrence.

House bill entitled

H. 75. An act to amend section four of an act approved November 19, 1866, entitled "An act for the restoration and preservation of fish in the State of Vermont,"

Was taken up as the special order, and the vote refusing the third reading of the bill reconsidered, read the third time; the question then being, Shall the bill pass? it was decided in the negative.

House bill entitled

H. 221. An act relating to the authorization of persons to serve process,

Was read the third time and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to ask the House to return to the possession of the Senate

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

H. 258. An act relating to the supreme court;

H. 165. An act to incorporate the Rutland and Bethel Railroad Company;

H. 143. An act in amendment of section seven of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Killington Railroad Company, approved November 19, 1868."

Mr. Butterfield moved to reconsider the vote concurring in Senate proposal of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover;

Which was agreed to; and on motion of Mr. Abell the bill was

*Ordered to lie.*

The Speaker then presented the question, Will the House restore to the Senate the said bill agreeably to their request? which was decided in the affirmative.

House bill entitled

H. 251. An act relating to the Company for rendering the Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls,

Being the special order for this time, was taken up, and

the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time ? on motion, it was

*Ordered* to lie.

Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 134. An act to incorporate the People's Gas Light Company ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed House bills of the following titles :

H. 82. An act in amendment of section one of an act to incorporate the Barre Hotel Company, approved November 12, 1859 ;

H. 106. An act to incorporate the Battenkill and Pawlet Rivers Railroad Company ;

H. 146. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Phoenix Company ;

H. 153. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Peru ;

H. 154. An act to incorporate the Manchester and Jamaica Railroad Company ;

H. 160. An act to amend chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths ;

H. 164. An act relating to railroads ;

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas Manufacturing Company ;

H. 212. An act to incorporate the Montpelier Savings and Trust Company ;

H. 220. An act relating to the Cemetery in Wells River Village ;

H. 238. An act providing for the location and erection of county buildings in the county of Bennington, and laying a tax therefor ;

H. 244. An act making provisions for the support of Government ;

H. 139. An act to incorporate the American Trust Company ;

And have concurred in the passage thereof.

Also considered

H. 108. An act changing the name of Hattie Ann Stebens and constituting her heir-at-law of Mark A. Amsden and Marriett H. Amsden;

H. 214. An act changing the name of Michael McTague to Myron Montague;

H. 215. An act altering the name of Emery Jones Smith to Emery Jones Parsons;

H. 216. An act to change the name of Marion W. Washburn;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

Joint resolution from the Senate, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That the sweepers in the employ of the Sergeant-at-Arms receive for their services the present session the same pay as the various messengers about the House now receive by law;

Which was read and adopted in concurrence.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have concurred in the House proposal of amendment to

S. 65. An act changing the day of the annual meeting of the Board of Education.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 46. An act in addition to "An act regulating the change of depots and stations on railways," approved November 19, 1868;"

Reported adversely to its passage, and pending the question, Shall the bill be read the third time? Mr. Wood moved to amend, by adding to section one the following: "*Provided, however, that the petition shall be signed by ten freeholders resident in the town where said depot is proposed to be located, and said petitioners shall give satisfactory security to the petitionee for costs of prosecution, as required in writs of summons;*"

Which was agreed to; thereupon the bill as amended was read the third time and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

**MR. SPEAKER:** I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 228. An act to incorporate the village of Benson;

H. 231. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Victory for the years 1868 and 1869;

H. 239. An act laying a tax on the county of Rutland for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county, and paying the indebtedness of the county;

H. 249. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have also considered

H. 42. An act in amendment of and in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks;"

H. 170. An act relating to Library Associations;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

**MR. SPEAKER:** I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 98. An act in amendment of section thirty-three of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the collection of taxes;"

H. 158. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the National Trust Company, approved November 19, 1868;

H. 157. An act relating to the assessment of State taxes;

H. 49. An act relating to Phillips Academy and to school district No. 26 in the town of Danville;

H. 80. An act to incorporate the Lamoille Valley Junction Railroad Company.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:  
*To the House of Representatives now in session:*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval:

H. 2. An act to commute the sentence of Horace R. Plumley;

H. 80. An act to incorporate the Lamoille Valley Junction Railroad Company;

H. 78. An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to flowage;"

H. 104. An act relating to ditches and water courses;

H. 49. An act relating to Phillips Academy and school district No. 26 in the town of Danville;

H. 98. An act in amendment of section thirty-three of chapter eighty-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the collection of taxes;"

H. 157. An act relating to the assessment of State taxes;

H. 158. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the National Trust Company, approved November 19, 1868;

H. 139. An act to incorporate the American Trust Company;

H. 212. An act to incorporate the Montpelier Savings and Trust Company;

H. 244. An act making provisions for the support of Government;

H. 82. An act in amendment to section one of an act to incorporate the Barre Hotel Company, approved November 12, 1859;

H. 106. An act to incorporate the Battenkill and Pawlet Rivers Railroad Company;

H. 146. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Phoenix Company;

H. 153. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Peru;

H. 154. An act to incorporate the Manchester and Jamaica Railroad Company;

H. 160. An act to amend chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths;

H. 164. An act in relation to railroads;

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas Manufacturing Company;

H. 220. An act relating to the cemetery in Wells River village;

H. 228. An act to incorporate the village of Benson;

H. 231. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Victory for the years 1868 and 1869;



H. 238. An act providing for the location and erection of county buildings in the county of Bennington, and laying a tax therefor ;

H. 239. An act laying a tax on the county of Rutland for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county, and paying the indebtedness of the county ;

H. 249. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

On motion of Mr. Dickey, the House adjourned.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1869.

Reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles :

S. 28. An act to incorporate the Island Pond Academy ;

S. 32. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the grand list ;"

S. 55. An act to encourage Manufactures ;

S. 72. An act abolishing the solitary confinement of persons sentenced to death ;

S. 82. An act to extend the charter of the West River Railroad ;

S. 89. An act to amend section seven of chapter eighty of the General Statutes, relating to notice of protest of negotiable instruments ;

S. 91. An act to incorporate the Vermont Horse Stock Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Lynde introduced a joint resolution, as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the Adjutant and Inspector General is hereby directed to ascertain and report to the General Assembly the names of all men who enlisted directly into the regular army or navy, and the names of all who were transferred or enlisted from any Vermont organization into the same, together with the date of enlistment and the date of the decease or discharge of each soldier or sailor referred to;

Which was read and adopted on the part of the House.

Mr. Wentworth called up House bill entitled

H. 251. An act relating to the Company for rendering the Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls;

The question being, Shall the bill be read the third time? it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 92. An act to incorporate the Union Trust Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read a third time, and passed in concurrence.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 47. An act to incorporate the Northeastern Mutual Life Association;

H. 48. An act to amend the charter of the Burlington Manufacturing Company;

H. 64. An act to annex a part of the town of Ripton to the town of Lincoln;

H. 74. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act establishing a corporation by the name of the Champlain Transportation Company;"

H. 114. An act authorizing the Lamoille Valley Railroad Company to construct and extend its Railroad to Maquam Bay in the town of Swanton;

H. 122. An act laying a tax on lands in the town of Stratton;

H. 132. An act to amend an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to

incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864;

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond ;

H. 148. An act incorporating the town of Stannard ;

H. 167. An act in addition to section nineteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the re-appraisal of real estate in certain cases ;

H. 181. An act in amendment of section eighty-one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables ;

H. 190. An act to incorporate the Wantasticet Valley Railroad Company ;

H. 197. An act to incorporate the Caledonia County Trust Company ;

H. 203. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Orange and Windsor to aid in the construction of the West Fairlee Railroad ;

H. 204. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Fairfax Railroad ;

H. 210. An act granting a ferry to John Quincy Adams ;

H. 219. An act to amend an act entitled an act in amendment of section two of chapter twenty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of instruction of the deaf, dumb and blind ;"

H. 227. An act to amend section five of an act entitled "An act authorizing towns to establish central schools ;"

H. 250. An act to incorporate the Bradford Trust Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have considered a bill entitled

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover ;

Have reconsidered the vote agreeing to the proposal of amendment, and have passed the same in concurrence.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that on the 15th day of November, A. D. 1869, he approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 249. An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the Dominion Marble Company ;

H. 239. An act laying a tax on the county of Rutland for the purpose of completing and furnishing the new court house in said county, and paying the indebtedness of the county;

H. 238. An act providing for the location and erection of county buildings in the county of Bennington, and laying a tax therefor;

H. 146. An act to incorporate the Brattleboro Phoenix Company;

H. 82. An act in amendment of section one of an act to incorporate the Barre Hotel Company, approved November 12, 1859;

H. 160. An act to amend chapter seventeen of the General Statutes, relating to the registration of births, marriages and deaths;

H. 231. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Victory for the years 1868 and 1869;

H. 228. An act to incorporate the village of Benson;

H. 220. An act relating to the Cemetery in Wells River Village;

H. 139. An act to incorporate the American Trust Company;

H. 153. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Peru;

H. 244. An act making provisions for the support of Government;

H. 154. An act to incorporate the Manchester and Jamaica Railroad Company;

H. 164. An act relating to railroads;

H. 166. An act to incorporate the Case and Thomas Manufacturing Company;

H. 106. An act to incorporate the Battenkill and Pawlet Rivers Railroad Company;

H. 212. An act to incorporate the Montpelier Savings and Trust Company.

Mr. Conkey, from the Committee on Banks to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 79. An act to incorporate the People's Savings and Trust Company;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Hall, from the same Committee to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 90. An act to incorporate the Waterbury National Trust Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed in concurrence.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate of the following titles :

S. 78. An act to incorporate the Vermont State Trust Company ;

S. 81. An act to change the name of the Winooski Marble Company ;

S. 38. An act to pay Peter Lander, Jr., the sum therein mentioned ;

S. 59. An act in amendment of an act entitled " An act in amendment of chapter ninety-seven of the General Statutes, entitled ' Of public lands ; ' "

S. 77. An act to incorporate the Beeman Academy in New Haven ;

S. 33. An act to protect fish in Tuttle Pond ;

S. 85. An act changing the day of the annual meeting of the board of education ;

S. 54. An act laying a tax on the grand list of the towns of Ferdinand and Lewis ;

S. 76. An act to entitle school districts to send scholars to academies ;

S. 75. An act in amendment of section fifty-five of chapter twenty-four of the General Statutes, entitled " Of laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges ; "

S. 63. An act to incorporate the Plainfield Building Company.

Mr. Canfield, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was recommitted Senate bill entitled

S. 11. An act relating to pleadings and proceedings in certain criminal cases ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon Mr. Wood moved to amend the bill by striking out section eighteen ;

Which was agreed to, and the question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass in concurrence ? it was decided in the negative.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 145. An act to incorporate the Vergennes Navigation Company;

H. 207. An act to protect fish in Spencer Hollow Brook and its tributaries;

H. 243. An act to constitute Eddie Marshall Smith of Wolcott, heir-at-law of Philander and Mary Smith;

H. 205. An act to prevent the destruction of fish;

H. 202. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chelsea for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869;

H. 206. An act to enable the towns and cities therein named to aid in the construction of the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad;

H. 253. An act to legalize certain acts of the town of Castleton;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred, as follows :

S. 55. An act to encourage manufactures;

To the Committee on Manufactures.

S. 72. An act abolishing the solitary confinement of persons sentenced to death;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 82. An act to extend the charter of the West River Railroad;

To the Committee on Railroads.

S. 89. An act to amend section seven of chapter eighty of the General Statutes, relating to notice of protest of negotiable instruments;

To the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 91. An act to incorporate the Vermont Horse Stock Company;

To the Committee on Corporations.

Senate bill entitled

S. 32. An act in amendment of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the grand list,"

Was read the first time, and the second reading thereof refused.

Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 13. An act in amendment of an act incorporating Newbury Seminary, passed November 2, 1833;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

*An act incorporating the Newbury Seminary, approved November 2, 1833, is hereby so amended as not to restrain or hinder the trustees of that institution from selling and conveying the real and personal property of the institution and transferring the avails thereof, or any part or all of the personal property unsold, to the Vermont Conference Seminary and Female College at Montpelier; provided that such persons as are now living in the town of Newbury, and who were residents of that town at the time said seminary was located, and made contributions to said seminary on condition that it should be located at said Newbury, shall be entitled to demand of and receive from the trustees of said seminary, and maintain an action against said trustees, each in his own name, for, if not paid, such part of forty-five hundred dollars (that being the amount for which the real estate belonging to said seminary in said Newbury has been sold) as their said contributions shall be of thirty thousand dollars, (that sum being the amount, as nearly as can be ascertained, expended on said seminary grounds and buildings, and otherwise by contributions from Newbury and elsewhere.)*

*And provided further, that no action for said sum shall be had, or maintained, unless the same shall be brought within one year from the passage of this act;*

Which was agreed to, and pending the question, Shall the bill, as amended, pass? Mr. Bisbee moved that the bill be dismissed.

Pending which question, on motion of Mr. Wood, the House adjourned.

## AFTERNOON.

Mr. Upham, from the Committee on the Grand List to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 254. An act to legalize certain acts of the town of Castleton;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed.

House bill entitled

H. 170. An act relating to Library Associations,

Having been returned from the Senate with the following proposals of amendment, viz: to strike out in section one, line four, the word "*majority*."

Also, in line five of the same section, the words "*two thirds*," and insert in lieu thereof the word "*unanimous*;"

Was taken up, and the Senate proposals of amendment agreed to.

Mr. Coburn, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 252. An act constituting Willery M. Hoyt and Emery M. Currier heirs-at-law of Charles H. and Mary F. French;

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed.

Bills of the following titles were severally reported from the various Committees, adversely to their passage; thereupon their third readings were severally refused:

By Mr. Page, from the Committee on Claims,

H. 196. An act to pay Francis Phelps the sum therein named.

By Mr. Wales, from the Committee on Education,

S. 57. An act relating to Phillips Academy and school district No. 26 in the town of Danville.

By Mr. Carleton, from the same Committee,

H. 235. An act relating to the division of public school money among the school districts.

By Mr. Dickey, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

H. 245. An act for the prevention of theft.



By Mr. Grout, from the Committee on Military Affairs,  
H. 230. An act to pay certain volunteers the bounty therein named.

By Mr. Grout, from the Special Committee on House bill entitled

H. 225. An act relating to the establishment and discontinuance of side tracks and depots.

By Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary,  
S. 72. An act abolishing the solitary confinement of persons sentenced to death.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 93. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad Company," approved November 6, 1867;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Guilford;

H. 240. An act to pay Charles S. Hoyle the sum therein mentioned;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Also,

H. 41. An act to prevent the careless use of firearms;

H. 226. An act changing the name of Lillie May Kenyon;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

They have also considered

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Runaway Pond Railroad Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment;

In the adoption of which the Senate ask the concurrence of the House.

Mr. Hinckley, from the Committee on Claims to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 172. An act entitled an act for the relief of Gilmore & Brainerd of St. Albans, Vt.;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, lines five and six, by striking out the words "*one hun-*

*dred and eighty-five dollars and eighteen,"* and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*eighty-six dollars and five ;*"

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was read a third time and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 88. An act to amend the charter of the West Fairlee Railroad Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 27. An act relating to depositions ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read a third time and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Jones, from the Committee on the Reform School to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 224. An act to provide for the expenses of the Vermont Reform School and for the enlargement of its buildings ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line one, by striking out the words "seventeen thousand dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the following : *thirteen thousand dollars including the sum appropriated in the general appropriation bill ;*

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Gleed, from the Committee on Education to whom was recommitted House bill entitled

H. 174. An act relating to the Normal Schools of this State ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line one, by striking out the words "*one thousand,*" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*fifteen hundred.*"

Also, by adding to section one the following : "*And five hundred dollars to the one at Castleton, provided that said school at Castleton shall not draw from the treasury of the State any part of the one thousand dollars heretofore appropriated to that school ;*"

Which were severally agreed to, and the bill as amended was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Carleton, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 223. An act to compel children to attend school ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; and pending the question, Shall the bill be read the third time ? on motion of Mr. Scott, it was

*Ordered to lie.*

Mr. Wales, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as related to education,

Reported a bill entitled

H. 255. An act authorizing towns to abolish school districts therein ;

Which was read the first and second time, and was

*Ordered to lie.*

The House considered Senate proposals of amendment to House bill entitled

H. 42. An act in amendment of and in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks ;

And concurred therein.

Senate bill entitled

S. 28. An act to incorporate the Island Pond Academy,

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 86. An act providing for a view of premises in actions concerning real estate ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have considered House bills entitled

H. 221. An act relating to the authorization of persons to serve process ;

H. 172. An act entitled an act for the relief of Gilmore & Brainerd, of St. Albans, Vt. ;

H. 251. An act relating to the Company for rendering the Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls ;

H. 254. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bennington for the year 1868 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Mr. Grout called up the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That no member shall be allowed more than five minutes at one time in the discussion of any question, nor shall he speak more than twice, unless by consent of this House ;

Which was adopted.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 74. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act establishing a corporation by the name of the Champlain Transportation Company ;"

H. 203. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Orange and Windsor to aid in the construction of the West Fairlee Railroad ;

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond ;

H. 202. An act to legalize the Grand List of the town of Chelsea for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869 ;

H. 227. An act to amend section five of an act entitled "An act authorizing towns to establish Central Schools ;"

H. 205. An act to prevent the destruction of fish ;

H. 253. An act to legalize certain acts of the town of Castleton ;

H. 207. An act to protect fish in Spencer Hollow Brook and its tributaries ;

H. 219. An act to amend an act entitled an act in amendment of section two of chapter twenty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of instruction of the deaf, dumb and blind ;"

H. 181. An act in amendment of section eighty-one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables ;

H. 148. An act incorporating the town of Stannard ;

H. 132. An act to amend an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Burlington," approved November 22, 1864 ;

H. 47. An act to incorporate the Northeastern Mutual Life Association.

Senate bill entitled

S. 86. An act providing for a view of premises in actions concerning real estate,

Was read the first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally reported favorably by the various Committees, read the third time, and passed in concurrence :

By Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations,

S. 84. An act in amendment of an act approved November 19, 1856, entitled "An act to incorporate the Lyndon Mill Company ;"

By Mr. Farnsworth, from the Committee on Education,

S. 83. An act in addition to an act approved November 19, 1868, relating to teachers' institutes.

By Mr. Grout, from the Committee on Military Affairs,

S. 81. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act for organizing the militia."

By Mr. Hooker, from the General Committee,

S. 85. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act to authorize the removal of obstructions from the Passumpsic River."

Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 50. An act to incorporate the Alburgh, Plattsburgh and Highgate Steamboat Company ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section five, line fourteen, by striking out the words "*who shall not at the time protest in writing against the same,*" and insert in lieu thereof the words "*and stockholders ;*"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was passed in concurrence, with proposals of amendment.

Mr. Estey, from the Committee on Manufactures to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 55. An act to encourage manufactures ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section —, by striking out all of the second line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*from April first, 1870 ;*"

Which was agreed to, and the bill as amended was read the third time and passed in concurrence, with proposals of amendment.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 250. An act to incorporate the Bradford Trust Company ;

H. 206. An act to enable the towns and cities therein named to aid in the construction of the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad ;

H. 167. An act in addition to section nineteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the reappraisal of real estate in certain cases ;

H. 190. An act to incorporate the Wantasticet Valley Railroad Company ;

H. 204. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Fairfax Railroad ;

H. 210. An act granting a ferry to John Quincy Adams ;

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover ;

H. 64. An act to annex a part of the town of Ripton to the town of Lincoln ;

H. 114. An act authorizing the Lamoille Valley Railroad Company to construct and extend its Railroad to Maquam Bay in the town of Swanton ;

H. 48. An act to amend the charter of the Burlington Manufacturing Company ;

H. 122. An act laying a tax on lands in the town of Stratton.

House bill entitled

H. 97. An act fixing the salary of the Superintendent and Chaplain of the State Prison,

With amendments, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Bull, was dismissed—yeas 121, nays 85.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Farnsworth, were taken, and are as follows :

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Freeman,	McKnight,
Abell,	Giffin,	Miles,
Aiken,	Gleed,	Moore,
Batcheller,	Goodsell,	Morse,
Ballard,	Gordon,	Mowry,
Barney,	Grout,	Nichols of Danby,
Barrett of Underhill,	Hall,	Nichols of Lunenburg,
Bebee,	Hamblet,	Nickerson,
Benedict,	Hamilton,	North,
Blahop,	Harrington,	Ober,
Boyce,	Hazeltine,	Page,
Boynnton,	Hedden,	Palne,
Brewster,	Hewitt,	Palmer,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Hill of Hubbardton,	Parks,
Brigham of Essex,	Holbrook,	Peak,
Bromley,	Holman,	Pierce of Cavendish,
Brown of Richford,	Holmes of Waterville,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Bull,	Holton,	Purmort,
Butterfield,	Howard,	Reed,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Reynolds,
Cardell,	Humphrey,	Rice,
Carpenter,	Hunt of Guilford,	Ridley,
Chamberlain of Reading,	Huntington,	Ripley,
Chase of Jay,	Huntoon,	Safford,
Clark of Groton,	Hurd,	Sillsby,
Clark of Lincoln,	Hurlburt,	Simons,
Coburn,	Isham,	Soule,
Cook of Elmore,	Jackson of Panton,	Strong,
Cook of West Fairlee,	Jenkins,	Stuart,
Curtis,	Kemp,	Taylor,
Dickey,	Kenaston,	Walker of Clarendon,
Dike,	Kinaley,	Washburn,
Divoll,	Knapp,	Weed,
Dow,	Kneeland,	Wentworth,
Downing,	Ladd,	Whitcomb,
Eddy,	Langdon of Montpelier,	White of Springfield,
Edgerton,	Langdon of New Haven,	Willey,
Everts,	Leonard,	Worcester of Greensboro,
Farman,	Lyman,	Wooster of Marshfield,
Foster of Sudbury,	Manning,	Wright—121.
Foster of Wolcott,		

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Alden,	Fenn,	Phelps,
Aldrich,	Frisbie,	Pollard,
Allis,	Gambell,	Pratt,
Andrew,	Gay,	Remington,
Baldwin,	Gibb,	Richmond,
Barnes,	Goff,	Rixford,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Goodell,	Ross,
Bartlett,	Grover,	Salisbury,
Benton,	Hemenway,	Scott,
Bigelow,	Hill of Middlebury,	Severance,
Bisbee,	Hinckley,	Shuffleton,
Brewer,	Holden,	Smith of Hartland,
Brigham of Pittsfield,	Hooker,	Smith of Stowe,
Brown of Norwich,	Hopkins,	Southwick,
Canfield,	Hunt of St. Albans,	Spaulding,
Carleton,	Jackson of Orange,	Stanton,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Jewett,	Stoddard,
Chase of Concord,	Joyce,	Strong,
Clark of Randolph,	Knowlton,	Upham,
Clark of Williston,	Lynde,	Wales,
Cobb,	Marsh,	Walker of Londonderry,
Colburn,	Mason,	Warner,
Conkey,	Merrill,	Wetherby,
Darling,	Morgan,	Wheat,
Deming,	Niles,	Wheeler,
Edson,	Ormsby,	Wheelock,
Etey,	Parker of Lowell,	Williams,
Farnsworth,	Parker of Sharon,	Wood -86.
Farrar,	Peabody,	

So the bill was dismissed.

Mr. Wood moved that when the House adjourn, it adjourn until seven o'clock, P. M.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Knowlton, the House adjourned.

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### EVENING.

House bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed :

H. 232. An act to provide for an inspector of lumber and shingles, and prescribing his duties ;

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Mt. Tabor Mineral Spring and Hotel Company ;

H. 218. An act in alteration of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of private corporations ;"

H. 241. An act in addition to chapter thirty-four of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings against trustees.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first and second time, and referred as follows :

S. 93. An act entitled an act in amendment of "An act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company," approved November 16, 1869 ;

To the Committee on Corporations.

S. 58. An act to protect fish in Silver Lake ;

To the General Committee.

S. 94. An act to incorporate the Addison County Trust Company ;

To the Committee on Banks.

S. 95. An act to repeal section three of an act entitled "An act relating to State taxes ;"

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the



House of Representatives that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

S. 58. An act to protect fish in Silver Lake ;

S. 70. An act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

The Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 174. An act relating to the Normal Schools of this State ;

H. 224. An act to provide for the expenses of the Vermont Reform School and for the enlargement of its buildings ;

H. 252. An act constituting Willery M. Hoyt and Emery M. Currier heirs-at-law of Chas. H. and Mary F. French ;  
And have passed the same in concurrence.

They have considered

H. 165. An act to incorporate the Rutland and Bethel Railroad Company ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have also considered a joint resolution directing the Adjutant and Inspector General to report certain statistics to the General Assembly ;

And have adopted the same in concurrence.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 197. An act to incorporate the Caledonia County Trust Company ;

H. 78. An act to amend an act entitled "An act relating to flowage ;"

H. 254. An act to legalize certain acts of the town of Castleton ;

H. 240. An act to pay Charles S. Hoyle the sum therein mentioned ;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Guilford ;

H. 221. An act relating to the authorization of persons to serve process ;

H. 93. An act in amendment of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad Company," approved November 6, 1867 ;

H. 170. An act relating to Library Associations ;

H. 172. An act entitled an act for the relief of Gilmore & Brainerd, of St. Albans, Vt. ;

H. 42. An act in amendment of and in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks ;

H. 251. An act relating to the Company for rendering the Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally reported by the various committees favorably to their passage, and were read the third time and passed in concurrence, as follows :

By Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

S. 86. An act providing for a view of premises in actions concerning real estate.

By Mr. Wales, from the Committee on Education,

S. 28. An act to incorporate the Island Pond Academy.

By Mr. Grover, from the Committee on Corporations,

S. 93. An act entitled "An act in amendment of an act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company, approved November 16, 1869."

By Mr. Frisbie, from the General Committee,

S. 58. An act to protect fish in Silver Lake.

By Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

S. 89. An act to amend section seven of chapter eighty of the General Statutes, relating to notice of protest of negotiable investments.

By Mr. Hall, from the Committee on Banks,

S. 94. An act to incorporate the Addison County Trust Company.

By Mr. Langdon of Montpelier, from the Committee of Ways and Means,

S. 95. An act to repeal section three of an act entitled "An act relating to State taxes."

By Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads,  
S. 82. An act to extend the charter of the West River Railroad.

By Mr. Wheelock, from the Committee on Corporations,  
S. 91. An act to incorporate the Vermont Horse Stock Company.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered the House proposals of amendment to bills entitled

S. 50. An act to incorporate the Alburgh, Plattsburgh and Highgate Steamboat Company;

S. 55. An act to encourage Manufactures;  
And have concurred therein.

They have passed a bill entitled

S. 94. An act to incorporate the Addison County Trust Company;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have considered a House bill entitled

H. 143. An act in amendment of section seven of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Killington Railroad Company," approved November 19, 1868;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Bills of the following titles were severally reported from the various committees adversely to their passage, and the third reading severally refused:

By Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary,

H. 200. An act in amendment of section three of chapter one hundred and eight of the General Statutes, relating to "Mechanics' liens."

By Mr. Bromley, from the same Committee,

H. 213. An act determining the jurisdiction of constables.

By Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads,

H. 178. An act to incorporate the Mount Holly and Danby Railroad Company.

Also,

H. 186. An act to incorporate the Essex and Brandon Railroad Company.

## House bill entitled

H. 201. An act providing for the temporary discontinuance of highways;

Was read the third time and the passage of the bill was refused.

## House bill entitled

H. 13. An act in amendment of an act incorporating Newbury Seminary, passed November 2, 1833,

Was taken up as unfinished business, and the question being, Shall the bill be dismissed?

Mr. Butterfield demanded the previous question, which was seconded by the House, and the main question ordered and put, to wit: Shall the bill be dismissed? which was decided in the affirmative—yeas 112, nays 103.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Stuart, were taken and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Aldrich,  
Allis,  
Batcheller,  
Bailey,  
Barney,  
Bartlett,  
Benedict,  
Bigelow,  
Bisbee,  
Brewer,  
Brewster,  
Brigham of Bakersfield,  
Brigham of Essex,  
Brown of Norwich,  
Bull,  
Campbell,  
Carpenter,  
Chamberlain of Reading,  
Clark of Groton,  
Colburn,  
Cook of West Fairlee,  
Cowles,  
Curtis,  
Day,  
Dike,  
Dow,  
Dutton,  
Edgerton,  
Edson,  
Fenn,  
Foster of Wolcott,  
Freeman,  
Frisbie,  
Gay,  
Giffin,  
Goodell,  
Goodsell,  
Gordon,

Graham,  
Grout,  
Hamblet,  
Hamilton,  
Hedden,  
Hemenway,  
Hewitt,  
Hinckley,  
Holbrook,  
Holden,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Holton,  
Hooker,  
Hopkins,  
Hunt of Guilford,  
Hunt of St. Albans,  
Huntington,  
Hurd,  
Hurlburt,  
Jackson of Panton,  
Johnson of Sherburne,  
Joyce,  
Keeler,  
Kinsley,  
Kneeland,  
Knowlton,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Leonard,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Lynde,  
Marsh,  
Mason,  
Moore,  
Nichols of Danby,  
Nickerson,

North,  
Ober,  
Ormsby,  
Paine,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Peak,  
Phelps,  
Pierce of Shaftesbury,  
Pollard,  
Reed,  
Rice,  
Richmond,  
Ripley,  
Rixford,  
Ross,  
Silsby,  
Southwick,  
Spaulding,  
Stanton,  
Stoddard,  
Stone,  
Taylor,  
Walker of Clarendon,  
Warner,  
Washburn,  
Way,  
Weed,  
Wetherby,  
Wheat,  
Wheeler,  
Whitcomb,  
Whitney,  
Willey,  
Wood,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wooster of Marshfield,  
Wright—112.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Downing,	Miles,
Abell,	Eaton,	Morgan,
Aiken,	Estey,	Morse,
Alden,	Everts,	Mowry,
Baldwin,	Farnsworth,	Niles,
Ballard,	Farrar,	Page,
Barnes,	Foster of Sudbury,	Palmer,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Gambell,	Parker of Sharon,
Bebee,	Gibb,	Parks,
Benton,	Gleed,	Peabody,
Bishop,	Goff,	Pierce of Cavendish,
Boyce,	Grover,	Pratt,
Boynston,	Hall,	Remington,
Briggs,	Harrington,	Reynolds,
Brigham of Pittsfield,	Hazeltine,	Ridley,
Broumley,	Hill of Middlebury,	Safford,
Brown of Richford,	Holmes of Moretown,	Salisbury,
Burt,	Howard,	Scott,
Butterfield,	Hubbard,	Severance,
Canfield,	Humphrey,	Shuffleton,
Cardell,	Isham,	Simons,
Carleton,	Jackson of Orange,	Smith of Barnet,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Jenkins,	Smith of Hartland,
Chase of Jay,	Jewett,	Smith of Stowe,
Clark of Lincoln,	Johnson of Vernon,	Soule,
Clark of Randolph,	Jones,	Stevens,
Clark of Williston,	Kemp,	Strong,
Cobb,	Kenaston,	Stuart,
Coburn,	King of Mt. Tabor,	Wales,
Conkey,	Knapp,	Walker of Londonderry,
Cook of Elmore,	Langdon of Montpelier,	Wentworth,
Darling,	Manning,	Wheelock,
Deming,	McKnight,	White of Springfield,
Dickey,	Merrill,	Williams—103.
Divoll,		

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to return herewith to the House of Representatives, House bill No. 104, entitled "An act relating to ditches and water courses," without his approval and with his objections thereto in writing, as follows :

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 16, 1869. }

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR: I return herewith to the House of Representatives, without my approval, a bill originating in the House, entitled "An act relating to ditches and water courses."

It is well settled, that private property can not be taken for any other than a public use, either with or without compensation, and that it can not be taken even for such public use, without such compensation is actually secured to the owner before it is taken and appropriated to such use.

This bill provides, that when it is for the interest of individuals, owning adjoining lands, to open a ditch or water course for the purpose of draining such lands, they shall

bear jointly the expense of opening such ditch or water course, and if they can not agree upon what is the fair proportion of the expense to be borne by each, the selectmen of the town shall decide between them. By section six it provides, that if it is necessary to extend such ditch or water course across the land of a third person, and the selectmen shall decide that said third person will not be benefitted thereby, then that the parties to be benefitted thereby may construct such ditch or water course across the land of said third person at their own expense, "without being trespassers therefor." And by subsequent sections it is provided, that if such person shall claim damages therefor, he may apply to the selectmen to appraise them, and may appeal from their decision.

It thus directly authorizes the taking of the land of such third person for the purpose of the ditch or water course, without his consent, and without securing to him any compensation before his land is entered upon for that purpose.

And the bill does not even profess thus to take his property, or create an easement upon his land for a *public* use. By the first section it is declared in terms to be for the *private* use of the parties who are to be benefitted by the ditch or water course. It is thus in conflict with the second article of the Bill of Rights in the Constitution of this State, and at variance with well established rules of constitutional law.

And it is equally at variance with the requirements of the Constitution in not requiring compensation to be made to the party whose land is taken without his consent, previous to its being taken. And in this respect it is also at variance with the uniform requirements of the Statute law of this State in reference to the taking of land for highways, railroads, school houses and cemeteries, and the taking for public use of the franchise of a turnpike or toll bridge company.

I therefore respectfully return the bill to the House of Representatives for their further consideration.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

The question being, Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Executive to the contrary notwithstanding? it was decided in the negative—yeas 0, nays 206.

The yeas and nays being demanded by the rule, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.  
Yeas none.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Everts,	Morse,
Abell,	Farnsworth,	Mowry,
Aiken,	Farrar,	Nichols of Danby,
Alden,	Fenn,	Nichols of Lunenburg,
Aldrich,	Foster of Sudbury,	Niles,
Allis,	Freeman,	North,
Andrew,	Frisbie,	Ormsby,
Batcheller,	Gambell,	Page,
Bailey,	Gay,	Paine,
Baldwin,	Gibb,	Palmer,
Ballard,	Giffin,	Parker of Lowell,
Barnee,	Gleed,	Parker of Sharon,
Barney,	Goff,	Parks,
Barrett of Underhill,	Goodell,	Peabody,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Goodrich,	Peak,
Bartlett,	Goodsell,	Phelps,
Bebee,	Gordon,	Pierce of Cavendish,
Benedict,	Graham,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Benton,	Grover,	Pollard,
Bigelow,	Hall,	Pratt,
Bisbee,	Hamblet,	Reed,
Bishop,	Hamilton,	Remington,
Boyce,	Harrington,	Rice,
Boynton,	Hasteltime,	Richmond,
Brewer,	Hedden,	Ridley,
Brewster,	Hewitt,	Ripley,
Briggs,	Hill of Hubbardton,	Rixford,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Hill of Middlebury,	Ross,
Brigham of Essex,	Hinckley,	Safford,
Bromley,	Holden,	Salisbury,
Brown of Norwich,	Holman,	Scott,
Brown of Richford,	Holmes of Moretown,	Shuffeton,
Bull,	Holmes of Waterville,	Silaby,
Burt,	Holton,	Simons,
Butterfield,	Hooker,	Smith of Barnet,
Campbell,	Humphrey,	Smith of Hartland,
Canfield,	Hunt of Guilford,	Smith of Stowe,
Cardell,	Hunt of St. Albans,	Soule,
Carleton,	Huntoon,	Southwick,
Carpenter,	Hurd,	Spaulding,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Hurlburt,	Stevens,
Chamberlain of Reading,	Isham,	Stoddard,
Chase of Concord,	Jackson of Orange,	Stone,
Chase of Jay,	Jackson of Panton,	Strong,
Clark of Groton,	Jenkins,	Stuart,
Clark of Lincoln,	Jewett,	Taylor,
Clark of Randolph,	Johnson of Sherburne,	Thompson,
Clark of Williston,	Johnson of Vernon,	Upham,
Coburn,	Jones,	Wales,
Colburn,	Keeler,	Walker of Clarendon,
Conkey,	Kemp,	Walker of Londonderry,
Cook of Elmore,	Kenaston,	Warner,
Cook of West Fairlee,	King of Mt. Tabor,	Washburn,
Cowles,	Knapp,	Way,
Curtis,	Knowlton,	Weed,
Darling,	Ladd,	Wentworth,
Day,	Langdon of Montpelier,	Wetherby,
Deming,	Langdon of New Haven,	Wheat,
Dickey,	Leonard,	Wheeler,
Dike,	Long,	Wheelock,
Divoll,	Lyman,	Whitcomb,
Dow,	Lynde,	White of Springfield,
Downing,	Manning,	Whitney,
Dutton,	Marsh,	Willey,
Faton,	Mason,	Williams,
Eddy,	McKnight,	Worcester of Greensboro,
Edgerton,	Merrill,	Wooster of Marshfield,
Edson,	Moore,	Wright—206.
Estey,	Morgan,	

## House bill entitled

H. 85. An act relating to the collection of taxes,

Having been returned by the Executive without his approval, and with his objections thereto in writing, was taken up, and the question being, Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Executive to the contrary notwithstanding? it was decided in the negative—yeas 9, nays 192.

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Gleed,  
Graham,  
Holden.

Lynde,  
Peabody,  
Richmond,

Southwick,  
Spaulding,  
Wood—9.

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Abbott,  
Abell,  
Aiken,  
Alden,  
Allis,  
Batcheller,  
Bailey,  
Baldwin,  
Ballard,  
Barney,  
Barrett of Underhill,  
Barrett of Weathersfield,  
Bartlett,  
Bebee,  
Benedict,  
Benton,  
Bisbee,  
Bishop,  
Boyce,  
Boynton,  
Brewer,  
Brewster,  
Briggs,  
Brigham of Bakersfield,  
Brigham of Essex,  
Brigham of Pittsfield,  
Bromley,  
Brown of Norwich,  
Brown of Richford,  
Bull,  
Butterfield,  
Campbell,  
Canfield,  
Cardell,  
Carleton,  
Carpenter,  
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,  
Chamberlain of Reading,  
Chase of Concord,  
Chase of Jay,  
Clark of Groton,  
Clark of Lincoln,  
Clark of Randolph,  
Cobb,  
Coburn,  
Colburn,  
Conkey,  
Cook of Elmore,  
Cook of West Fairlee,  
Cowles,  
Curtis,  
Darling,

Deming,  
Dickey,  
Dike,  
Divoll,  
Dow,  
Downing,  
Dutton,  
Edgerton,  
Edson,  
Estey,  
Everts,  
Farnsworth,  
Farrar,  
Fenn,  
Foster of Sudbury,  
Foster of Wolcott,  
Gambell,  
Gay,  
Gibb,  
Giffin,  
Goff,  
Goodell,  
Goodrich,  
Goodsell,  
Gordon,  
Grover,  
Hall,  
Hamblet,  
Hamilton,  
Hazeltime,  
Hedden,  
Hemenway,  
Hewitt,  
Hill of Hubbardton,  
Hill of Middlebury,  
Hinckley,  
Holman,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Holton,  
Hooker,  
Hopkins,  
Howard,  
Humphrey,  
Hunt of St. Albans,  
Huntington,  
Huntoon,  
Hurd,  
Hurlburt,  
Isham,  
Jackson of Orange,  
Jackson of Panton,

Jenkins,  
Jewett,  
Johnson of Sherburne,  
Johnson of Vernon,  
Jones,  
Keeler,  
Kemp,  
Kenaston,  
King of Mt. Tabor,  
Kinsley,  
Knapp,  
Kneeland,  
Knowlton,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of Montpelier,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Leonard,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Manning,  
Marsh,  
McKnight,  
Merrill,  
Moore,  
Morgan,  
Morse,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Danby,  
Nichols of Lunenburg,  
Nickerson,  
Niles,  
North,  
Ormsby,  
Page,  
Paine,  
Palmer,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Parker of Sharon,  
Parks,  
Peak,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pierce of Shaftsbury,  
Pollard,  
Pratt,  
Reed,  
Remington,  
Reynolds,  
Rice,  
Ridley,  
Ripley,  
Rixford,  
Ross,



Safford,  
Salisbury,  
Scott,  
Severance,  
Simons,  
Smith of Barnet,  
Smith of Hartland,  
Soule,  
Stanton,  
Stevens,  
Stoddard,  
Stone,

Strong,  
Stuart,  
Taylor,  
Thompson,  
Upham,  
Wales,  
Walker of Clarendon,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Warner,  
Way,  
Weed,  
Wentworth,

Wetherby,  
Wheat,  
Wheeler,  
Wheelock,  
Whitcomb,  
White of Springfield,  
Whitney,  
Willey,  
Williams,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wooster of Marshfield,  
Wright—192

House bill entitled

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Runaway Pond Railroad Company ;

Having been returned from the Senate with proposals of amendment, was taken up, and the proposals of amendment concurred in.

House bill entitled

H. 256. An act to empower the persons therein named to improve the Gihon branch of the Lamoille River ;

Was reported by the General Committee, read the first and second time, and, under the suspension of the rules, was read the third time, and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Governor has returned to the Senate without his approval, and with his objections thereto in writing, Senate bill entitled

S. 40. An act in addition to chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, entitled " Of the grand list ;"

The Senate have reconsidered the bill, and do not pass the same, notwithstanding the objections of the Executive.

Mr. Wood, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 129. An act regulating mill and other dams ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section —, by inserting after the word " shall," the words *on six days notice to the opposite party having been given, and the applicant having given to the opposite party satisfactory security for the costs resulting from the application ;*

Which was agreed to ; thereupon the bill as amended was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Wood, from the same Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 25. An act to amend an act entitled an act to amend

section thirteen of chapter forty-seven of the General Statutes, entitled "Of levy of executions ;"

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line fifty-six, by inserting after the word "cost," the words, *one ox-yoke, one single or double sleigh, one plow, one harrow, and two chains suitable for farm work.*

Also, by striking out in section one, line fifty-three, the word "next," and inserting in lieu thereof the words *one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.*

Also, by adding to section one, the following: *provided, however, that the single or double wagon or cart, and one harness or harnesses, and one ox-yoke, one single or double sleigh, one plow, one harrow and two chains, shall not be exempt from attachment upon any contract made or entered into prior to December 1st, A. D. 1869 ;*

Which were severally agreed to ; and the question being, Shall the bill, as amended, pass ? it was decided in the negative.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have passed a bill entitled

S. 95. An act to repeal section three of an act entitled "An act relating to State taxes ;"

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

They have considered House bill entitled

H. 242. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the observance of the Sabbath and of disturbing religious meetings ;"

And have passed the same in concurrence with proposals of amendment ;

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Also

H. 130. An act laying a tax on the lands in Avery's and Buel's Gores, in the county of Chittenden ;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform

the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles:

H. 174. An act relating to the Normal Schools of this State;

H. 224. An act to provide for the expenses of the Vermont Reform School and for the enlargement of its buildings;

H. 143. An act in amendment of section seven of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Killington Railroad Company, approved November 19, 1868;"

H. 165. An act to incorporate the Rutland and Bethel Railroad Company.

Mr. Burt, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 242. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the observance of the Sabbath and of disturbing religious meetings;"

Reported in favor of its passage; thereupon the bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 44. An act relating to the rate of interest;

Reported in favor of its passage in concurrence; thereupon the bill was

*Ordered to lie.*

House bill entitled

H. 242. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the observance of the Sabbath and of disturbing religious meetings;"

Having been returned from the Senate with proposals of amendment, was taken up, and the proposals of amendment concurred in.

Mr. Baldwin, from the Committee on Education to whom was referred Senate bill entitled

S. 69. An act relating to the descent and distribution of intestate estates;

Reported without expression of opinion; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the

House of Representatives that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed Senate bills of the following titles :

S. 66. An act to provide for the restoration of sea fish to the rivers of the State ;

S. 79. An act to incorporate the People's Savings and Trust Company ;

S. 92. An act to incorporate the Union Trust Company ;

S. 83. An act in addition to an act, approved November 19, 1868, relating to teachers' institutes ;

S. 27. An act relating to depositions ;

S. 84. An act in amendment of an act approved November 19, 1856, entitled " An act to incorporate the Lyndon Mill Company."

Mr. Dickey introduced the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the House are hereby tendered to the Hon. George W. Grandey of Vergennes, for the able, impartial, and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of the chair during the present session ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Grover introduced a bill entitled

H. 257. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Navigation Company ;

Which was read the first and second time, and, under the suspension of the rule, was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hinckley, the House took a recess of fifteen minutes.

The Speaker having resumed the chair,

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bill entitled

H. 46. An act in addition to " An act regulating the change of depots and stations on railways," approved November 19, 1868 ;

And have passed the same in concurrence, with proposals of amendment ;

In the passage of which the concurrence of the House is requested.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 126. An act to incorporate the Wallomsac Railroad Company;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon Mr. Canfield moved that the bill be dismissed;

The previous question being demanded by Mr. Shuffleton, was seconded by the House, the main question was put, to wit: Shall the bill be dismissed? which was decided in the negative, yeas 78, nays 117.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Aldrich, were taken and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Abbott,	Hill of Middlebury,	Parker of Sharon,
Alden,	Holman,	Pierce of Shaftsbury,
Batcheller,	Holmes of Moretown,	Reynolds,
Barnes,	Holmes of Waterville,	Rice,
Benedict,	Holton,	Richmond,
Boyce,	Hopkins,	Ripley,
Brewster,	Howard,	Ross,
Brigham of Essex,	Hubbard,	Safford,
Brown of Norwich,	Hunt of Guilford,	Scott,
Canfield,	Huntington,	Shuffleton,
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,	Isham,	Silsby,
Clark of Randolph,	Jackson of Orange,	Simons,
Cobb,	Jenkins,	Smith of Hartland,
Coburn,	Jewett,	Smith of Stowe,
Colburn,	Kemp,	Spaulding,
Divoll,	King of Mt. Tabor,	Stanton,
Downing,	Kinsley,	Stuart,
Eddy,	Knowlton,	Underwood,
Estey,	Ladd,	Wales,
Everts,	Langdon of Montpelier,	Walker of Clarendon,
Gleed,	Langdon of New Haven,	Warner,
Gordon,	Manning,	Wetherby,
Graham,	Nichols of Danby,	Wheelock,
Grout,	Ober,	Whitcomb,
Hazeltine,	Page,	Wooster of Marshfield—78.
Hedden,		

Those members who voted in the negative are Messrs.

Abell,	Butterfield,	Foster of Sudbury,
Aiken,	Campbell,	Frisbie,
Aldrich,	Cardell,	Gambell,
Allis,	Carleton,	Gay,
Bailey,	Carpenter,	Gibb,
Baldwin,	Chase of Concord,	Goff,
Ballard,	Chase of Jay,	Goodell,
Barney,	Clark of Groton,	Grover,
Barrett of Underhill,	Clark of Lincoln,	Hamblet,
Barrett of Weathersfield,	Clark of Williston,	Hamilton,
Benton,	Conkey,	Harrington,
Bigelow,	Cook of Elmore,	Hemenway,
Bisbee,	Cowles,	Hill of Hubbardton,
Bishop,	Curtis,	Hinkley,
Boynston,	Darling,	Hooker,
Briggs,	Day,	Humphrey,
Brigham of Bakersfield,	Deming,	Hunt of St. Albans,
Brigham of Pittsfield,	Dickey,	Huntoon,
Bromley,	Dutton,	Hurd,
Brown of Richford,	Edson,	Johnson of Sherburne,
Bull,	Farnsworth,	Jones,
Burt,	Farrar,	Joyce,

Keeler,  
Kenaston,  
Knapp,  
Kneeland,  
Leonard,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Lynde,  
Marsh,  
McKnight,  
Miles,  
Moore,  
Morgan,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Lunenburg,  
Nickerson,  
Niles,

North,  
Palne,  
Palmer,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Peabody,  
Peak,  
Phelps,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pratt,  
Rixford,  
Salisbury,  
Severance,  
Smith of Barnet,  
Soule,  
Southwick,  
Stevens,  
Stoddard,

Stone,  
Strong,  
Taylor,  
Thompson,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Washburn,  
Way,  
Weed,  
Wentworth,  
Wheat,  
Wheeler,  
Whitney,  
Willey,  
Williams,  
Wood,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wright—117.

Thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz.:

H. 130. An act laying a tax on the lands in Avery's Gore and Buel's Gore, in the County of Chittenden;

H. 242. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the observance of the Sabbath and of disturbing religious meetings;"

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Runaway Pond Railroad Company.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered House bills of the following titles:

H. 218. An act in alteration of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of private corporations;"

H. 232. An act to provide for an inspector of lumber and shingles, and prescribing his duties;

H. 241. An act in addition to chapter thirty-four of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings against trustees:

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Also,

H. 171. An act to incorporate the Mt. Tabor Mineral Spring and Hotel Company;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

The Committee on Bills submitted the following report:

*To the House of Representatives now in session:*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have

duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval:

H. 145. An act to incorporate the Vergennes Navigation Company;

H. 202. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Chelsea for the years 1867, 1868 and 1869;

H. 205. An act to prevent the destruction of fish;

H. 206. An act to enable the towns and cities therein named to aid in the construction of the Northern Vermont and Lake Champlain Railroad;

H. 207. An act to protect fish in Spencer Hollow Brook and its tributaries;

H. 243. An act to constitute Eddie Marshall Smith of Wolcott, heir-at-law of Philander and Mary Smith;

H. 253. An act to legalize certain acts of the town of Castleton;

H. 254. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Bennington for the year 1868;

H. 251. An act relating to the Company for rendering the Connecticut River navigable by Bellows Falls;

H. 221. An act relating to the authorization of persons to serve process;

H. 172. An act entitled an act for the relief of Gilmore & Brainerd, of St. Albans, Vt.;

H. 42. An act in amendment of and in addition to chapter ninety-four of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the traffic in intoxicating drinks;"

H. 93. An act in amendment of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Montpelier and Wells River Railroad Company," approved November 6, 1867;

H. 170. An act relating to Library Associations;

H. 234. An act to legalize the grand list of the town of Guilford;

H. 240. An act to pay Charles S. Hoyle the sum therein mentioned;

H. 165. An act to incorporate the Rutland and Bethel Railroad Company;

H. 167. An act in addition to section nineteen of chapter eighty-three of the General Statutes, relating to the re-appraisal of real estate in certain cases;

H. 181. An act in amendment of section eighty-one of chapter fifteen of the General Statutes, relating to jurisdiction of constables;

H. 190. An act to incorporate the Wantasticet Valley Railroad Company;

H. 197. An act to incorporate the Caledonia County Trust Company ;

H. 203. An act to enable the towns in the counties of Orange and Windsor to aid in the construction of the West Fairlee Railroad ;

H. 204. An act to enable the towns therein named to aid in the construction of the Fairfax Railroad ;

H. 210. An act granting a ferry to John Quincy Adams ;

H. 219. An act to amend an act entitled an act in amendment of section two of chapter twenty-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of instruction of the deaf, dumb and blind ;"

H. 227. An act to amend section five of an act entitled "An act authorizing towns to establish central schools ;"

H. 250. An act to incorporate the Bradford Trust Company ;

H. 40. An act to annex a part of the town of Wilmington to the town of Dover ;

H. 47. An act to incorporate the Northeastern Mutual Life Association ;

H. 174. An act relating to the Normal Schools of this State ;

H. 224. An act to provide for the expenses of the Vermont Reform School and for the enlargement of its buildings ;

H. 252. An act constituting Willery M. Hoyt and Emery M. Currier heirs-at-law of Charles H. and Mary F. French ;

H. 143. An act in amendment of section seven of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Killington Railroad Company," approved November 19, 1868 ;

H. 130. An act laying a tax on the lands in Avery's and Buel's Gores, in the county of Chittenden ;

H. 187. An act to incorporate the Runaway Pond Railroad Company ;

H. 242. An act in amendment of chapter ninety-three of the General Statutes, entitled "Of the observance of the Sabbath and of disturbing religious meetings ;"

H. 241. An act in addition to chapter thirty-four of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings against trustees ;

H. 48. An act to amend the charter of the Burlington Manufacturing Company ;

H. 64. An act to annex a part of the town of Ripton to the town of Lincoln ;

H. 74. An act in amendment of an act entitled "An act establishing a corporation by the name of the Champlain Transportation Company ;"



H. 114. An act authorizing the Lamoille Valley Railroad Company to construct and extend its Railroad to Maquam Bay in the town of Swanton;

H. 122. An act laying a tax on lands in the town of Stratton;

H. 132. An act to amend an act approved November 19, 1868, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Burlington, approved November 22, 1864;'"

H. 148. An act incorporating the town of Stannard;

H. 141. An act to protect fish in Hovey's Pond.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate of the following titles:

S. 58. An act to protect fish in Silver Lake;

S. 93. An act entitled an act in amendment of "An act to incorporate the International Telegraph Company," approved November 16, 1869;

S. 89. An act to amend section seven of chapter eighty of the General Statutes, relating to notice of protest of negotiable instruments.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Northern Railroad Company;

Reported adversely to its passage; thereupon the third reading of the bill was refused.

Yeas 37, nays 120.

The yeas and nays being demanded by Mr. Burt, were taken, and are as follows:

Those members who voted in the affirmative are Messrs.

Bigelow,  
Brewer,  
Brewster,  
Burt,  
Day,  
Deming,  
Dutton,  
Farnsworth,  
Farrar,  
Freeman,  
Frisbie,  
Goodell,  
Goodrich,

Goodsell,  
Gordon,  
Hopkins,  
Howard,  
Keeler,  
Ladd,  
Langdon of Montpelier,  
Long,  
Lyman,  
Morse,  
Phelps,  
Purnort,

Reynolds,  
Rixford,  
Severance,  
Simons,  
Southwick,  
Stoddard,  
Stone,  
Strong,  
Stuart,  
Walker of Londonderry,  
Wheeler,  
Wright—37.

Aiken,  
Alden,  
Allis,  
Batcheller,  
Bailey,  
Ballard,  
Barney,  
Barrett of Underhill,  
Barrett of Weathersfield,  
Benedict,  
Bisbee,  
Bishop,  
Boyce,  
Boynton,  
Briggs,  
Brigham of Bakersfield,  
Brigham of Pittsfield,  
Brown of Norwich,  
Campbell,  
Cardell,  
Carleton,  
Chamberlin of Craftsbury,  
Chamberlain of Reading,  
Chase of Concord,  
Chase of Jay,  
Clark of Groton,  
Clark of Randolph,  
Clark of Williston,  
Coburn,  
Colburn,  
Conkey,  
Dike,  
Dow,  
Downing,  
Eddy,  
Edgerton,  
Edson,  
Estey,  
Everts,  
Foster of Sudbury,

Gay,  
Gibb,  
Giffin,  
Gleed,  
Goff,  
Grover,  
Hall,  
Hamblet,  
Harrington,  
Hazeltine,  
Hedden,  
Hill of Middlebury,  
Hinckley,  
Holman,  
Holmes of Moretown,  
Holmes of Waterville,  
Holton,  
Hooker,  
Hubbard,  
Hunt of St. Albans,  
Huntington,  
Huntoon,  
Jackson of Orange,  
Jewett,  
Johnson of Sherburne,  
Kemp,  
Kenaston,  
Kinsley,  
Knapp,  
Kneeland,  
Langdon of New Haven,  
Lynde,  
Manning,  
Marsh,  
Mason,  
McKnight,  
Miles,  
Morgan,  
Mowry,  
Nichols of Danby,

Nichols of Lunenburg,  
Nickerson,  
Niles,  
North,  
Ober,  
Ormsby,  
Page,  
Paine,  
Palmer,  
Parker of Lowell,  
Parker of Sharon,  
Pierce of Cavendish,  
Pierce of Shaftsbury,  
Pratt,  
Remington,  
Rice,  
Richmond,  
Ridley,  
Ripley,  
Safford,  
Sallsbury,  
Scott,  
Shuffleton,  
Smith of Barnet,  
Smith of Hartland,  
Smith of Stowe,  
Soule,  
Spaulding,  
Stanton,  
Stevens,  
Walker of Clarendon,  
Warner,  
Weed,  
Wheat,  
Wheelock,  
Whitcomb,  
White of Eden,  
Willey,  
Worcester of Greensboro,  
Wooster of Marshfield—120.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered bills of the following titles:

H. 256. An act to empower the persons therein named to improve the Gihon branch of the Lamoille River;

H. 257. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Navigation Company;

And have passed the same in concurrence.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz:

H. 218 An act in alteration of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of private corporations;"

H. 232. An act to provide for an inspector of lumber and shingles, and prescribing his duties;

H. 241. An act in addition to chapter thirty-four of the General Statutes, relating to proceedings against trustees.

Mr. Wheelock moved that the vote refusing the third reading of House bill entitled

H. 69. An act to incorporate the Northern Railroad Company,

Be reconsidered ;

Which was disagreed to.

Mr. Joyce offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to H. N. Newell, Acting Clerk of this House, and his Assistants, for the faithful and courteous manner in which they have performed their duties during the present session of the Legislature ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

House bill entitled

H. 46. An act in addition to "An act regulating the change of depots and stations on railways," approved November 19, 1868,

Having been returned from the Senate with proposals of amendment, was taken up, and the proposals of amendment concurred in.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bill originating in the House, of the following title, viz :

H. 257. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Navigation Company.

Mr. Ballard, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 199. An act relating to the service of process upon managers of railroads in certain cases ;

Reported in favor of its passage ; thereupon the bill was read a third time and passed.

The House then took a recess of twenty minutes.

The Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr. Severance offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are hereby tendered to the Chaplain of the House for the

acceptable manner in which his services have been performed ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate, of the following titles:

S. 94. An act to incorporate the Addison County Trust Company ;

S. 95. An act to repeal section three of an act entitled "An act relating to State taxes."

The Senate have considered a House bill of the following title :

H. 129. An act regulating mill and other dams ;  
And have passed the same in concurrence.

Mr. Safford, from the Committee on Railroads to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 189. An act to regulate railroad crossings ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, line six, by striking out the words "*to the county court,*" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*to the supreme court in session.*"

Also, in the same section, line eleven, by inserting after the word "*highway,*" the words, "*and the town in which such crossing is situated.*"

Also, in section two, line three, by inserting after the word "*interested,*" the words "*and to the town in which such crossing is situated.*"

Also, by striking out all of section two after the word "*commissioner*" in the fifth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "*The court shall have full power to order what shall be done, and to make such further orders for or against either the petitioners, the railroad company or the town, and apportion the expense and tax costs as shall be just between said parties, and may issue execution therefor.*"

Also, in section three, line two, by striking out after the word "*altered*" the words "*so as to enable the railroad corporation to make the crossing above or below the highway.*"

Also, in the same section, line nine, by striking out the words "*in the lands.*"

Also, in the same section, line sixteen, by striking out the

words "*such railroad company*," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*either party* ;"

Which were severally agreed to, and the bill as amended passed.

Mr. Bromley, from the Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 192. An act constituting railroad conductors police officers in certain cases ;

Reported adversely to its passage ; the question being, Shall the bill be read the third time ? it was decided in the affirmative ; thereupon the bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Wheelock offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the sincere thanks of this House are hereby tendered its Reporters for the courtesy and efficiency with which they have performed the delicate but laborious duties of their position, almost invariably bringing out of the hurry and confusion of heated debate, order, and oftentimes beauty of thought and diction ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Graham, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 32. An act abolishing the office of Railroad Commissioner ;

Reported the following substitute bill :

*An act in addition to chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, entitled "Of railroads and Railroad Commissioners."*

*It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, as follows :*

SECTION 1. *It shall be the duty of every party who has, or hereafter may have, the care, control or management of the running and operating of any railroad in this State, in whatever capacity, to run such suitable and proper trains, and make such suitable and proper connections with other railroads, whether in this State or connecting with railroads from adjoining States, as the public good may require ; and shall, in their local traffic, only receive a pro rata sum for the carrying of freight and passengers, whether from station to station or from one terminus of the railroad to the other, provided, however, that the usual discrimination in the price of carrying the different kinds and amount of freight, and*

*whether loaded or unloaded by the shipper or consignee, or the car detailed for the special benefit of either of them, may be made, and that fractional parts of a mile in computing distance may be regarded as a mile.*

SECTION 2. *In case of failure to comply with the foregoing provisions of this act in relation to the running of trains and making connections with other railroads by any such party having, or who shall hereafter have, the care, control or management of the running and operating of any railroad in this State, it shall be the duty of the Railroad Commissioner, upon his own motion or upon the application of any person who shall be aggrieved thereby, to inquire into the cause of such failure, and if, in his judgment, the public good requires, he shall have power to order and direct the minimum number and character of trains to be run daily over such railroad, and the mode and time of connection with connecting railroads. Such order shall be in writing, and shall specify the time within which it must be complied with; and said Railroad Commissioner shall, as soon as may be, cause said order to be filed in the office of the county clerk in any county through which such railroad runs, and leave a copy thereof in the hands of such party, his clerk, agent, attorney or superintendent, if within this State, or if without this State, or a non-resident, then in the hands of the person upon whom legal process may now be served by law.*

SECTION 3. *In case of non-compliance with the order of said Railroad Commissioner within the time specified therein, said Railroad Commissioner shall report the fact to the State's attorney of the county within which such order is filed, who shall thereupon make, in the name of the State, an application in writing to any chancellor in the State, setting forth such order and the fact of non-compliance with it by the party against whom it is made; and the chancellor shall make a decree enjoining said party, his employees, servants or agents, from running or operating said railroad in any other manner than as prescribed in the order of said Railroad Commissioner, so long as said order shall remain in force.*

SECTION 4. *If said party shall feel aggrieved by said order and decree, he may petition the chancellor to modify or vacate said order of the Railroad Commissioner, and to dissolve said injunction, and shall give reasonable notice of the time and place of hearing before the chancellor to said State's attorney, and the chancellor shall make such order in the premises as justice and the public good require, and from his decision there shall be no appeal.*

SECTION 5. *In case of a violation of the provision contained in the first section of this act, in relation to taking toll for carrying freight and passengers, the offending party shall forfeit, for each offense, the sum of five hundred dollars, to be recovered in a proper action at law to be brought in the name of the State Treasurer, and it shall be the duty of the Railroad Commissioner to inquire into any alleged violation and bring the matter to the notice of the State's attorney of the county in which the offense is committed, whose duty it shall be to institute a suit for the recovery of the penalty.*

SECTION 6. *If any railroad corporation, or other party, out of this State, having the care, control or management of the running and operating of any railroad within this State, shall at the same time have the care, control or management of any railroad out of this State which connects with any railroad in this State, and shall refuse to make suitable and proper connection with the railroad in this State, or to run suitable and proper trains for the accommodation of the public thereon, such party, his employees, servants and agents, may be enjoined from running and operating his said railroad lying in this State until such connection shall be made and trains run, and the Railroad Commissioner shall report the fact of such refusal to the State's attorney of the county through or into which said railroad lying in this State shall run, and such proceedings shall be had in the premises as are provided in the third section of this act.*

SECTION 7. *The chancellor, in any proceeding before him under this act, shall, in enforcing his decrees, have all the powers incident to courts of chancery in other cases, and may, in his discretion, tax costs against the offending party and issue execution to collect the same, and the amount thereof, when collected, shall be paid into the State Treasury by the State's attorney. The chancellor shall regulate the fees of the State's attorney for his services, and said fees shall be paid out of the State Treasury; and the State's attorney shall be entitled to the same fees in prosecutions under the fifth section of this act as are allowed by law in similar cases, to be paid out of the State Treasury.*

SECTION 8. *This act shall take effect from its passage;*

Which was read the first time, and the second reading refused.

Senate bill entitled

S. 88. An act to amend the charter of the West Fairlee Railroad Company,

Was read the first and second time, and, under the suspension of the rules, was read the third time, and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Joyce offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to Major James S. Peck for the prompt and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of Acting Assistant Clerk ;

Which was read and unanimously adopted.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER : I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles :

H. 46. An act regulating the establishment and maintenance of depots and stations on railways ;

H. 129. An act regulating mill and other dams.

Mr. Cowles, from the General Committee to whom was referred House bill entitled

H. 208. An act to authorize improvements in Clyde River ;

Reported in favor of its passage, when amended in section one, by inserting after the word "*between*," in line five, the words "*the west line of the town of Charleston*."

Also, by adding the following as

SECTION 4. *The rights and privileges conferred by the foregoing provisions of this act upon Truman Fairchild, may be enjoyed and exercised by any other persons, subject to all the conditions and limitations herein before provided ;*

Which were severally agreed to, and the question being, Shall the bill, as amended, be read the third time ? on motion, the bill was dismissed.

Mr. Williams, introduced the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Clerk be directed to inform the Senate that the House on their part have completed the business of the session, and are ready to adjourn without day ;

Which was read and adopted.



The Committee on Bills submitted the following report :  
*To the House of Representatives now in session :*

The Committee on Bills respectfully report that they have duly examined the following bills, and have this day presented the same to the Governor for his approval :

H. 218. An act in alteration of chapter eighty-six of the General Statutes, entitled "Of private corporations;"

H. 232. An act to provide for an inspector of lumber and shingles, and prescribing his duties ;

H. 256. An act to empower the persons therein named to improve the Gihon branch of Lamoille River ;

H. 257. An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Navigation Company ;

H. 46. An act in addition to an act entitled "An act regulating the change of depots and stations on railways, approved November 19, 1868;"

H. 129. An act regulating mill and other dams ;

H. 189. An act to regulate railroad crossings.

A. WORCESTER, for Committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Carpenter, their Assistant Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have considered a House bill of the following title :

H. 189. An act to regulate railroad crossings :

And have passed the same in concurrence.

Also considered

H. 192. An act constituting railroad conductors police officers in certain cases ;

H. 199. An act relating to services of process upon managers of railroads in certain cases ;

And do not concur in the passage thereof.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has this day approved and signed bills originating in the House, of the following titles, viz :

H. 115. An act changing the name of Eddie Dearborn and constituting him heir-at-law of William and Jane L. Cheney ;

H. 252. An act constituting Willery M. Hoyt and Emery M. Currier heirs-at-law of Charles H. and Mary P. French ;

H. 243. An act to constitute Eddie Marshall Smith of Wolcott, heir-at-law of Philander and Mary Smith ;

H. 256. An act to empower the persons therein named to improve the Gihon Branch of the Lamoille River ;

H. 189. An act to regulate Railroad crossings.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Governor has informed the Senate that he has approved and signed bills originating in the Senate as follows :

S. 91. An act to incorporate the Vermont Horse Stock Company ;

S. 82. An act to extend the charter of the West River Railroad ;

S. 88. An act to amend the charter of the West Fairlee Railroad Company.

Mr. Abell moved that a committee of two be appointed to wait on his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the House on their part have completed the business of the session, and are ready to adjourn without day ;

Which motion was agreed to ; whereupon the Speaker appointed as such committee

Mr. Abell,

“ Wood,

who retired to the Executive Chamber for the purpose of their appointment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Clark, their Secretary, as follows :

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have on their part completed the business of the session, and are ready to adjourn without day ;

He then withdrew.

Mr. Abell appeared on the floor of the House and said :

MR. SPEAKER: Agreeably to the direction of the House, your Committee have waited on his Excellency, the Governor, and informed him that the House on their part have completed the business of the session, and are ready to adjourn without day, and he will make a communication in writing to the House, through the Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to return herewith to the House of Representatives, House bill No. 145, entitled "An act to incorporate the Vergennes Navigation Company," without his approval and with his objections thereto in writing, as follows:

STATE OF VERMONT,

Executive Chamber, Montpelier, Nov. 16, 1869. }

*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR: I return herewith to the House of Representatives, without my approval, a bill originating in the House, entitled "An act to incorporate the Vergennes Navigation Company."

A substitute for this bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Otter Creek Navigation Company," has passed both Houses, and has received my approval; and the passage of this bill is therefore rendered unnecessary.

I therefore respectfully return the bill to the House of Representatives for their further consideration.

PETER T. WASHBURN.

The question being, Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Executive to the contrary notwithstanding? on motion of Mr. Abell, it was

*Ordered to lie.*

A message from his Excellency, the Governor, by Mr. Marsh, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed by the Governor to inform the House of Representatives that he has received their communication that they have on their part concluded the business of the session, and that he has no further communication to make to them.

At three o'clock and forty-five minutes A. M., Mr. Bisbee moved that the House take a recess until eight o'clock;

Which was agreed to.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1869.

At eight o'clock in the forenoon, in accordance with the joint resolution for that purpose, the Speaker of the House of Representatives declared the same adjourned without day.

H. N. NEWELL,  
*Acting Clerk of the House of Representatives.*

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true journal of the House of Representatives of the State of Vermont, for the annual session thereof, beginning on the second Thursday of October, 1869.

H. N. NEWELL,

*Acting Clerk of House of Representatives.*

STATE HOUSE,  
Montpelier, November 17, 1869. } .

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IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,  
October 16, 1869, 2:30 P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly at two and one half o'clock this afternoon, to hear the report of the Committee to canvass votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer ;

His Honor, STEPHEN THOMAS, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Canvassing Committee submitted a report which was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :

*To the Joint Assembly now in session :*

The joint Canvassing Committee appointed to canvass the votes for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Treasurer, having attended to the duties assigned them, now submit the following report :

*For Governor :*

Whole number of votes returned,	43,315
Necessary for a choice,	21,658
Peter T. Washburn has	31,834
Homer W. Heaton has	11,455
Scattering,	26
Majority for Peter T. Washburn,	20,353

And thereupon the President of the Joint Assembly declared that

PETER T. WASHBURN,

having received a majority of all the votes cast by the free-men of this State, is duly elected Governor of the State of Vermont for the year ensuing.



The Canvassing Committee further reported:

*For Lieutenant Governor:*

Whole number of votes returned,	43,355
Necessary for a choice,	21,628
George W. Hendee has	31,895
Morillo Noyes has	11,351
Scattering,	9
Majority for George W. Hendee,	20,535

And thereupon the President of the Joint Assembly declared that

**GEORGE W. HENDEE,**

having received a majority of all the votes cast by the free-men of this State, is duly elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of Vermont for the year ensuing.

The Committee further reported,

*For Treasurer:*

Whole number of votes returned,	43,395
Necessary for a choice,	21,698
John A. Page has	31,958
John M. Weeks has	11,436
Scattering,	1
Majority for John A. Page,	20,521

And thereupon the President of the Joint Assembly declared that

**JOHN A. PAGE,**

having received a majority of all the votes cast by the free-men of this State, is duly elected Treasurer of the State of Vermont for the year ensuing.

Mr. Joyce, of Rutland, offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed by the President to wait on the Governor elect, inform him of his election, and that the Joint Assembly are in session, ready to receive any communication he may wish to make;

Which was read and adopted.

The President of the Joint Assembly appointed as such Committee, Senator Dale, of Essex county, and Messrs. Joyce, of Rutland, and Grout, of Barton, of the House.

The Committee subsequently reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that the Governor elect

had signified his acceptance of the office to which he had been elected, and that he proposed to take and subscribe to the oath of office and deliver his annual communication in the presence of the General Assembly, at three o'clock this afternoon.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,  
Clerk.

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IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,  
October 21, 1869, 2:30 P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Thursday next, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Sergeant-at-Arms, Auditor of Accounts, Commissioner of the Insane, Railroad Commissioner, Adjutant and Inspector General, Quartermaster General, Judge Advocate General, Superintendent of the State Prison, and three Directors of the State Prison, for the year ensuing:

His Honor, GEORGE W. HENDEE, President of the Senate, in the chair;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of the officers named in the foregoing joint resolution:

For Secretary of State, Mr. Joyce, of Rutland, nominated George Nichols; Mr. Dickey, of Bradford, nominated George M. Fisk. Senator Farnham, of Orange county, Messrs. Joyce, of Rutland, and Dickey, of Bradford, of the House, were appointed tellers. The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

GEORGE NICHOLS, of Northfield,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing; whereupon the oath of office was duly administered to him by the President of the Joint Assembly.

For Sergeant-at-Arms, Mr. Wood, of Fairhaven, nominated Zebina C. Camp; Mr. Paine, of Cabot, nominated Arthur D. Bancroft. Senator Wheeler, of Windham county, Messrs. Wood, of Fairhaven, and Aiken, of Troy, of the House, were appointed tellers. The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

**ZEBINA C. CAMP**, of Montpelier,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

For Auditor of Accounts, Senator Heath, of Washington county, nominated Dugald Stewart; Mr. Bishop, of Bolton, nominated Lucius H. Noyes. Senator Heath, of Washington county, and Messrs. Bishop, of Bolton, and Jones, of Benson, of the House, were appointed tellers. The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

**DUGALD STEWART**, of Middlebury,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

For Commissioner of the Insane, Mr. Weed, of Shelburne, nominated Alvin C. Welch; Mr. Bishop, of Bolton, nominated Lucius C. Butler. Senator Benedict, of Chittenden county, Messrs. Weed, of Shelburne, and Barrett, of Underhill, of the House, were appointed tellers. The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

**ALVIN C. WELCH**, of Williston,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

Mr. Gleed, of Morristown, moved that the election of Railroad Commissioner be postponed until two weeks from this day at two and one half o'clock in the afternoon;

Which motion was agreed to.

For Adjutant and Inspector General, Senator Benedict, of Chittenden county, nominated William Wells; Mr. Dickey, of Bradford, nominated Dudley H. Andrus. Senator Dickerman, of Orleans county, and Messrs. Eaton, of Corinth, and Wheelock, of Berlin, of the House, were appointed tellers. The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

**WILLIAM WELLS**, of Burlington,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

For Quartermaster General, Senator Dewey, of Washington county, nominated Perley P. Pitkin; Mr. Stuart, of South

Burlington, nominated John J. Monahan. Senator Dewey, of Washington county, and Messrs. Stuart, of South Burlington, and Grover, of Wells, of the House, were appointed tellers. The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

PERLEY P. PITKIN, of Montpelier,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

For Judge Advocate General, Mr. Grandey, of Vergennes, nominated Stephen F. Atwood; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

STEPHEN F. ATWOOD, of Monkton,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Superintendent of the State Prison, Senator Pingry nominated James A. Pollard; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

JAMES A. POLLARD, of Windsor,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For First Director of State Prison, Mr. Jones, of Benson, nominated Martin C. Rice; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

MARTIN C. RICE, of Benson,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Second Director of State Prison, Mr. Grout, of Barton, nominated John W. Hartshorn; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

JOHN W. HARTSHORN, of Lunenburg,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Third Director of State Prison, Mr. Hinckley, of Chelsea, nominated William R. Shedd; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

WILLIAM R. SHEDD, of Newbury,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

On motion of Senator Dale, of Essex county, the Joint Assembly adjourned till two weeks from this day at two and one half o'clock in the afternoon, being November 4, 1869.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,  
Clerk.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,  
October 27, 1869, 3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,* That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, on Wednesday, the 27th of October, 1869, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, to hear the report of the Committee appointed to canvass votes for county and probate officers, and if necessary, to complete the election of the same; also to elect three trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College;

His Honor, GEORGE W. HENDÉE, President of the Senate, in the chair;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

Mr. Farnham, a Senator from Orange county, chairman of the Canvassing Committee, reported that the following persons had been found duly elected to the offices annexed to their names, respectively, to wit:

#### ADDISON COUNTY.

Norman J. Allen, No. Ferrisburgh,	} Assistant Judges of County Court.
Joseph K. Ferre, Bridport,	
Samuel E. Cook, Weybridge,	

*Judge of Probate for District of Addison.*

Harvey Munsill, Bristol, *Judge of Probate for District of New Haven.*

George W. Grandey, Vergennes, *State's Attorney.*

Isaac M. Tripp, Middlebury, *Sheriff.*

Edward Gorham, Addison, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## ADDISON.

Asahel Barnes,  
Henry Willmarth,  
Charles Merrill,  
Carlton W. Read,  
Gideon Whitford,  
Stukely W. White,  
Heman Converse.

## BRIDPORT.

Sheldon Smith,  
Charles A. Wicker,  
Joseph K. Ferre,  
Nathan S. Bennett,  
Nathaniel Wing,  
William R. Brasted,  
Julius J. Crane.

## BRISTOL.

Harvey Munsill,  
Datus R. Gaige,  
Noble L. Johns,  
Horace Farr,  
Seneca Sumner,  
Samuel R. Cain,  
Amos E. Hasseltine.

## CORNWALL.

Julius J. Benedict,  
Orrin Field,  
Samuel Everts,  
Edward Hamilton,  
Harrison F. Dean.

## FERRISBURGH.

Reuben Parker,  
Putnam Allen,  
Cyrus Wicker,  
Oliver Hand,  
Philo D. Percival,  
Stephen Ball,  
Zurriel Walker.

## GOSHEN.

Francis Brown,  
Nathan Capen,  
Harvey Z. Churchill,  
Daniel Hooker,  
Willard H. Chamberlin.

## GRANVILLE.

William C. Chaffee,  
Joseph P. Ball,  
Daniel Tarbell,  
Alonso N. Briggs,  
Elias L. Jewett.

## HANCOCK.

Ehud Darling,  
Charles G. Robbins,  
Bela R. Perry,

Augustus Taylor,  
Azro D. Martin.

## LEICESTER.

William Powers,  
Daniel G. Henry,  
Wm. B. Flint,  
Luther E. Beach,  
Clemon Bronson,  
Joseph Morse,  
Albert G. Barker.

## LINCOLN.

Daniel H. Sargent,  
Samuel D. O'Bryan,  
Stephen M. Colby,  
Elihu Parinton,  
William T. Haight,  
Hodijah Lincoln,  
Sewall J. Sargent.

## MIDDLEBURY.

John W. Stewart,  
James M. Slade,  
Norman Tupper,  
John H. Simmons,  
Henry D. Maynard,  
Thomas H. McLeod,  
Lyman E. Knapp,  
Jedediah S. Bushnell,  
Calvin Hill,  
Rufus Wainwright.

## MONKTON.

Platt K. Gage,  
Hirenus P. Stilson,  
Roswell Atwood,  
Gilbert D. Eastman,  
Luman B. Smith,  
Matthew O. French,  
Ethan Lawrence.

## NEW HAVEN.

Alfred P. Roscoe,  
Henry O. Gifford,  
E. S. Hinman,  
Jabez W. Langdon,  
Almon Clark,  
S. B. M. Cowles,  
Erasmus D. Warner.

## ORWELL.

Roswell Bottom,  
Chauncey H. Conkey,  
Rodney F. White,  
Darius C. Bascom,  
Rodney D. Hall,  
Daniel B. Merwin,  
Samuel H. Bascom.

## PANTON.

Bethuel F. Gaines,  
Stillman Grandey,  
Martin Hoyt,

C. S. Harris,  
E. Holland,

## RIPTON.

Amos S. Tucker,  
William E. Cushman,  
Harry Downer,  
George W. King,  
Charles G. Damon.

## SALISBURY.

Ebenezer H. Weeks,  
Chester Kingsley,  
Charles E. Everts,  
Hiram Atwood,  
Dascomb E. Gibson.

## SHOREHAM.

Charles E. Bush,  
Myron W. C. Wright,  
Thurman Brookings,  
Homer B. Wright,  
Myron Platt,  
Horton W. Jones,  
Darwin C. Smith.

## STARKEBORO.

Ansel M. Hawkins,  
Isalah S. Strong,  
Myron Small,  
John M. Layne,  
Samuel H. Clark,  
Albert Orvis,  
Nathan H. Shurtliff.

## VERGENNES.

George W. Grandey,  
John E. Roberts,  
George H. Scott,  
Benjamin B. Allen,  
Joel H. Lucia,  
Milton J. Graves,  
Rodman Chapman.

## WALTHAM.

Edwin Everts,  
John H. Sprague,  
Franklin D. Barton,  
Elijah F. Benton,  
James Preston.

## WEYBRIDGE.

Asaph D. Hayward,  
Edwin S. Wright,  
John Britell,  
George L. Harrington,  
Jehiel Wright.

## WHITING.

Whitfield Walker,  
Abel Walker,  
Calvin Foster,  
Abram B. Huntley,  
Freeman G. Wright.

BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Norman Millington, So. Shaftsbury, } *Assistant Judges of*  
 Chauncey Green, Dorset, } *County Court.*  
 Thomas White, Bennington, *Judge of Probate for District*  
*of Bennington.*  
 Elias B. Burton, Manchester, *Judge of Probate for District*  
*of Manchester.*  
 James K. Batchelder, Arlington, *State's Attorney.*  
 Leander Powers, Bennington, *Sheriff.*  
 James L. McCall, Rupert, *High Bailiff.*

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

<p><b>ARLINGTON.</b>                      Harmon Canfield,                      Isaac T. Hyde,                      Jerome N. B. Thomas,                      Rollin G. Tuttle,                      Austin Bartlett,                      Benjamin W. Safford,                      Norman G. Hard.</p> <p><b>BENNINGTON.</b>                      William E. Hawks,                      Rufus Towsley,                      Philip T. Hubbell,                      Charles W. Barnes,                      Andrew J. Mattison,                      S. Leonard Godfrey,                      David Love,                      Joseph Rockwood,                      Douglas W. Hyde,                      Harmon Myers,                      Ira C. Hawks,                      James B. Meacham.</p> <p><b>DORSET.</b>                      Israel N. Sykes,                      Sherman Nichols,                      Charles Baldwin,                      N. John Sanford,                      William A. Tyrel,                      Joseph R. Green,                      James B. Wood,                      Reuben Eggleston,                      William H. Beebe,                      Orrin Whitney,</p> <p><b>GLASTENBURY.</b>                      Elihu A. McDonald,                      George Eddy,                      John Elwell,                      Philip Elwell,                      Michael Beels.</p> <p><b>LANDGROVE.</b>                      Amori Benson,                      Josiah Brown,                      Ambrose Woodward,</p>	<p><b>J. Henry Bolster,</b>  <b>Warren W. Wiley.</b></p> <p><b>MANCHESTER.</b>                      Charles F. Long,                      Harvey K. Fowler,                      Walter R. Dean,                      Eben H. Graves,                      Ranney Howard,                      Andrew J. Gray,                      Warren A. Adams.</p> <p><b>PERU.</b>                      James C. Lakin,                      Joseph R. Utley,                      Mark B. Lyon,                      Edmund Batchelder,                      Alonzo C. Nourse.</p> <p><b>POWNAL.</b>                      Joseph Myers,                      Green Brimmer,                      William Towslee,                      Chauncey Rosenbury,                      Henry Dunn,                      Solomon Wright,                      Potter Bushnell.</p> <p><b>READSBORO.</b>                      A. H. Tucker,                      Montraville Davison,                      E. A. Pearson,                      J. P. Lord,                      E. W. Robinson.</p> <p><b>RUPERT.</b>                      John Farrar,                      John J. Jenkins,                      Seymour Harwood,                      Marshall Hurd,                      Thomas L. Sheldon,                      George Jenks,                      T. S. Beebe.</p> <p><b>SANDGATE.</b>                      William R. Hoyt,                      Walter B. Randall,</p>	<p><b>Andrew J. Torrance,</b>  <b>Burr Hurd,</b>  <b>Levi Peck.</b></p> <p><b>SEARSBURGH.</b>                      George J. Bond,                      George Farrington,                      David Crosier,                      R. Hyde Stanley,                      J. B. Stevens.</p> <p><b>SHAFTSBURY.</b>                      Hiram Barton,                      Myron Clark,                      Martin Mattison,                      Edwin R. Martin,                      George E. Buck,                      Hiram Mattison,                      Charles Hicks.</p> <p><b>STAMFORD.</b>                      William S. Brooks,                      James R. Houghton,                      Silas W. Webster,                      Foster R. Hannum,                      Charles H. Crosier.</p> <p><b>SUNDERLAND.</b>                      Giles B. Bacon,                      Isaac W. Marble,                      Malcolm Canfield,                      Benjamin F. McLaughlin,                      William A. Webb.</p> <p><b>WINHALL.</b>                      Austin P. Graham,                      Joshua Barnard,                      Zeno K. Cone,                      George I. Shanks,                      Eliakim Amidon.</p> <p><b>WOODFORD.</b>                      Amasa P. Cutler,                      William Knapp, Jr.,                      Alonzo Fox,                      Charles Harbour,                      S. B. Collon.</p>
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## CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Charles Rogers, Jr., Wheelock, } *Assistant Judges of*  
 Jonathan R. Darling, Groton, } *County Court.*  
 Asa L. French, St. Johnsbury, *Judge of Probate.*  
 Charles H. Davis, Danville, *State's Attorney.*  
 Nathan J. Pike, St. Johnsbury, *Sheriff.*  
 William L. Pearl, Sheffield, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BARNET.

John C. Kent,  
 S. S. Clark,  
 Lyman Stanley,  
 Cloud Somers,  
 Andrew Warden,  
 Benjamin Gilson,  
 H. K. Ide.

## BURKE.

John S. J. Bemis,  
 Augustus P. Walter,  
 Asahel Burrington,  
 Joel Trull,  
 Charles T. A. Humphrey,  
 Truman G. Bishop,  
 Charles C. Newell.

## DANVILLE.

Joseph S. H. Weeks,  
 James B. Mattocks,  
 William J. Stanton,  
 David Thompson,  
 Benjamin Greenbank,  
 Jason Cole,  
 Daniel O. Gookin,  
 Henry S. Cook,  
 Harvey Burbank,  
 Andrew McMillan.

## GROTON.

Jonathan R. Darling,  
 Martin Weld,  
 Daniel Roberts,  
 C. E. Lamphere,  
 Peter Welch.

## HARDWICK.

Adam M. Amsden,  
 Henry Perley,  
 John Bridgman,  
 Cyrus Underwood,  
 Christopher F. Conant,  
 Jabez W. Hovey,  
 Joel R. Ainsworth.

## KIRBY.

Henry N. Goodell,

Palmer W. Russell,  
 Elhanan W. Church,  
 Charles H. Graves,  
 Merritt Newhall,

## LYNDON.

Jehiel Powers,  
 Amasa O. Harris,  
 Isaac W. Sanborn,  
 Welcome A. Bemis,  
 Hubbard Hastings,  
 S. S. Mattocks,  
 C. K. Hubbard.

## NEWARK.

Erastus Woodruff,  
 Onley Smith,  
 E. W. Culver,  
 D. F. Johnson,  
 Loren Huntley.

## PEACHAM.

John Varnum, Jr.,  
 George P. Blair,  
 Lafayette Strobridge,  
 Loren Chase, Jr.,  
 Frank W. Cook,  
 Fowler S. Ford,  
 William D. Hooker.

## RYEGATE.

Alexander Cochran,  
 Robert Gibson,  
 James White,  
 Robert Symmes,  
 William J. Henderson,  
 Robert Nelson,  
 James Dickey.

## SHEFFIELD.

Isaac H. Willmot,  
 Hiram Jennees,  
 Walden Brown,  
 Alfred Gray,  
 Joel Chesley.

## STANNARD.

James G. Horn,  
 Chester Brown,

Edwin H. Patch,  
 Egbert W. Clark,  
 Joseph Blodgett.  
*(See Special Report.)*

## ST. JOHNSBURY.

Albert G. Chadwick,  
 Theron Howard,  
 Thomas Spooner,  
 Asa C. Harvey,  
 Nathan M. Johnson,  
 John Emerson,  
 Jacob G. Hovey,  
 John C. Potter,  
 Ezra B. Gates,  
 Edward M. Ide,  
 Ephraim H. Stone,  
 John Bacon 2d.

## SUTTON.

Charles H. Willey,  
 Lorenzo D. Hall,  
 George E. Powers,  
 Richard Willard,  
 John C. Tibbetts.

## WALDEN.

Hiram Perkins,  
 Isaac Patterson,  
 Alonzo E. Dutton,  
 Sereno Montgomery,  
 Ebenezer R. Chamberlin,  
 James D. Bell,  
 Algernon S. Currier.

## WATERFORD.

Lucius S. Freeman,  
 Francis R. Carpenter,  
 Willard Kinne,  
 Miles S. Hovey,  
 Nathaniel Lee,  
 John Caswell,  
 E. A. Parks.

## WHEELLOCK.

Alexander W. Davis,  
 Lorenzo Sulloway,  
 James McGaffey,  
 E. M. Magoon,  
 Samuel F. Shattuck.

The Committee further reported that the town of Stannard is entitled to five justices of the peace; four only are elected, and that Harvey N. Kingsbury and Joseph Blodgett have the next highest, and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Kingsbury, the representative of Stannard, Joseph Blodgett was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.



## CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

Smith Wright, Williston, } *Assistant Judges of County Court.*  
 Nathan Lincoln, Milton, }  
 Torrey E. Wales, Burlington, *Judge of Probate.*  
 Eleazer R. Hard, Burlington, *State's Attorney.*  
 Luman A. Drew, Burlington, *Sheriff.*  
 Joseph Barton, Charlotte, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BOLTON.

Truman T. Church,  
 W. H. White,  
 S. Gillett,  
 Samuel Deavitt,  
 J. H. Smith.

## BURLINGTON.

Archibald Taylor,  
 Leverett B. Englesby,  
 Charles Russell,  
 Calvin Blodgett,  
 John McWilliams,  
 Wallace H. Brink,  
 John B. Hollenbeck,  
 Edward J. Fay,  
 Torrey E. Wales,  
 William W. Henry,  
 Nathaniel Parker,  
 Edwin W. Chase,  
 Lyman Cummings,  
 Ira Russell,  
 Harvey H. Talcott.

## CHARLOTTE.

Elanson H. Wheeler,  
 L. R. Hubbell,  
 John Quinlan,  
 Henry W. Prindle,  
 Joseph S. Shaw,  
 Alfred W. Sherman,  
 Joshua M. Dean.

## COLCHESTER.

Albert O. Hood,  
 Homer Porter,  
 John W. Crockett,  
 John Upham,  
 H. B. Hine,  
 Ira Robinson,  
 Charles Collins,  
 E. H. Blossom,  
 B. W. Haynes,  
 William Kidder,  
 J. S. Tubbs,  
 B. B. Hine.

## ESSEX.

F. W. Joyner,

Daniel Morgan,  
 Timothy W. R. Nichols;  
 Lucius C. Butler,  
 Marvin L. Snyder,  
 H. P. Bullard,  
 Alfred B. Halbert.

## HINESBURGH.

Nahum Peck,  
 Elmer Beecher,  
 Harmon Tobey,  
 William J. Douglass,  
 Lorenzo Murray,  
 Washington I. Byington,  
 James Fraser.

## HUNTINGTON.

Solomon Johns,  
 D. D. Sprague,  
 George S. Williams,  
 Chester Ross,  
 George P. Burnham.

## JERICHO.

Ezra Elliott,  
 Milo H. Chapin,  
 Isaac C. Stone,  
 Lyman Stimson,  
 John T. Clapp,  
 Erastus Field,  
 Rufus Brown.

## MILTON.

Horatio G. Boardman,  
 Henry L. Wood,  
 Charles I. Ladd,  
 George Ashley,  
 Gideon H. Rice,  
 Proctor A. Booth,  
 Horace Caswell.

## RICHMOND.

Safford Colby,  
 Nathan Burr,  
 Alonzo K. Jacobs,  
 Salmon Green,  
 Giles Howe,  
 James G. Walston,  
 Martin M. Bates.

## SHELBURNE.

William Harmon,  
 Cassius P. Williams,  
 John L. Barstow,  
 George W. Curry,  
 Edgar Naah,  
 Robert J. White,  
 Walter A. Weed.

## SOUTH BURLINGTON.

Rufus M. A. Barstow,  
 Edward W. Brownell,  
 James A. Thatcher,  
 Lemuel S. Drew,  
 Alexander McGregor.

## ST. GEORGE.

Henry Lawrence,  
 Russell Tilley,  
 John V. S. Isham,  
 Edward Isham,  
 William M. Sutton.

## UNDERHILL.

H. C. Richardson,  
 John H. Locklin,  
 John Woodruff,  
 Martin Flynn,  
 Seth W. Mead,  
 A. C. Benedict,  
 Abraham Marlow.

## WESTFORD.

Alney Stone,  
 R. M. Huntley,  
 B. F. Beach,  
 A. C. Robinson,  
 F. F. Frisby,  
 B. F. Marrs,  
 Albert Weed.

## WILLITON.

Truman A. Chittenden,  
 William Miller,  
 R. B. Fay,  
 George C. Chapman,  
 Chauncey W. Brownell,  
 G. G. Talcott,  
 Edmund Whitney.

## ESSEX COUNTY.

Levi Howe, Concord, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
 David H. Beattie, Maidstone, } *Court.*  
 William H. Hartshorn, Guildhall, *Judge of Probate.*  
 Oscar F. Harvey, Concord, *State's Attorney.*  
 Joseph A. Mansur, Brighton, *Sheriff.*  
 Arthur T. Holbrook, Lemington, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BLOOMFIELD.

Paul C. Davis,  
 Julius J. Holbrook,  
 Gardner Merrill,  
 Milton Cook,  
 William Burbank.  
 (See Special Report.)

## BRIGHTON.

Clark H. Ladd,  
 William Mason,  
 William R. Rosebrook,  
 Jason Currier,  
 William Cheney,  
 George Currier,  
 George L. Clark.

## BRUNSWICK.

Melvin J. Rich,  
 Andrew J. Taylor,  
 J. D. French,  
 H. D. Shoff,  
 Otis Royal.

## CANAAN.

Silas P. Shaw,  
 Cyrus E. Farnham,  
 Thomas P. Judd,  
 Levi R. Dean,  
 William Morrill, Jr.,

## CONCORD.

Charles Chase,  
 Horace C. Woodward,  
 Franklin C. Grant,  
 William S. Howard,  
 Hiram Wallace,  
 Joseph E. Woodbury,  
 Hubbard Hastings, 2d.

## EAST HAVEN.

Russell Hosford,  
 D. H. Hudson,  
 S. S. Hudson,  
 James Campean,  
 E. W. Aldrich.  
 (See Special Report.)

## GRANBY.

Simon Carpenter,  
 Lewis W. Jones,  
 Loomis Wells,  
 Ralph E. Lee,  
 Marcus L. Reed.

## GUILDHALL.

Charles E. Benton,  
 Azro Burton,  
 Abner Bailey,  
 Ephraim Ward,  
 William C. Washburn.

## LEMINGTON.

Arthur T. Holbrook,  
 Elias Lyman,  
 William H. Sims,  
 John O'Neil,  
 Hiram M. Harvey.

## LUNENBURGH.

John W. Hartshorn,  
 James G. Bowker,  
 J. B. McFarland,  
 James C. Cheney,  
 Chester Thomas,  
 George Johnson,  
 James Morse.

## MAIDSTONE.

Josiah H. Benton,  
 Lucius C. Luther,  
 Putney R. Follansby,  
 Charles Stevens,  
 Lewis Hall.

## VICTORY.

Albert J. Shaw,  
 Hiram C. Varnum,  
 Isaac R. Houston,  
 James Towle,  
 Langdon C. Welch.

The Committee further reported that the town of Bloomfield is entitled to five justices of the peace; four only are elected, and that Samuel N. Silver, Frank T. Pennock and William Burbank have received the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Merrill, the representative of East Haven, William Burbank was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

The Committee further reported that the town of East Haven is entitled to five justices of the peace; four only are elected, and that David C. Hudson, Oscar T. Walter, Nathan A. Smith, and E. W. Aldrich have the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Howard, the representative of East Haven, E. W. Aldrich was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

The Committee further reported that the town of Granby is entitled to five justices of the peace; three only are elected, and that Marcus L. Pearl, Ralph E. Lee, Albion J. Dunn, and Jonathan Matthews, have received the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Reed, the representative of Granby, Ralph E. Lee, and on nomination of Mr. Chase, the representative of Concord, Marcus L. Reed, were duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Walter C. Stevens, Highgate, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
 John K. Whitney, Franklin, } *Court.*  
 Myron C. Bailey, St. Albans, *Judge of Probate.*  
 Willard Farrington, St. Albans, *State's Attorney.*  
 James P. Place, Highgate, *Sheriff.*  
 Julius Halbert, Fairfax, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BAKERSFIELD.

Silas B. Hazeltine,  
 C. S. Barnes,  
 Thomas Dunne,  
 Merritt Barnes,  
 Charles F. Oviatt,  
 Simeon G. Start,  
 C. T. Maynard.

## BERKSHIRE.

Linus Leavens,  
 Henry C. Colcord,  
 James R. Stone,  
 Austin A. Moore,  
 James C. Towle,  
 Harvey Clark,  
 George Clement.

## ENOSBURGH.

Samuel H. Stevens,  
 Francis R. Perkins,  
 Benjamin F. Haswell,  
 Wm. H. McAllister,  
 A. W. Woodworth,  
 Ezekiel H. Sayles,  
 Gardner S. Fassett,  
 Joseph B. Crofts,  
 J. G. Jennie,  
 Daniel Woodward,

## FAIRFAX.

Ezra S. Butler,  
 James Bellows,

G. Newton Wells,  
 Alonzo G. Brush,  
 Samuel Maxfield,  
 Cassius Buck,  
 Lyman Hunt.

## FAIRFIELD.

Darius S. Barlow,  
 Daniel Leach,  
 William H. Morey,  
 Edward Gilbert,  
 Edwin C. Soule,  
 Edmund H. Wallace,  
 Daniel Story.

## FLETCHER.

Royal T. Bingham,  
 Thaddeus P. Chase,  
 Ebenezer Bailey,  
 Judson B. Leach,  
 Sumner Carpenter,

## FRANKLIN.

Nahum Temple,  
 De Forest E. Shattuck,  
 Jonathan Towle,  
 Aro H. Shedd,  
 Philo Horskins,  
 Edward L. Hibbard,  
 E. H. Cleaveland.

## GEORGIA.

John S. Reynolds,

Josiah Ballard,  
 Addison E. Colton,  
 Reuben E. Wilcox,  
 John W. Hinckley,  
 Charles H. Loomis,  
 I. Tichenor Davis.

## HIGHGATE.

Cyrus Thompson,  
 Asa Whitcomb,  
 Alva H. Spear,  
 E. C. Thompson,  
 L. D. Herrick,  
 Francis Smith,  
 Sherman Teachout,  
 Sanford S. Stevens,  
 Horace L. Cutler,  
 Jonathan Rice.

## MONTGOMERY.

Rufus Hamilton,  
 Seth Goodspeed,  
 Edgar Furnold,  
 Heman Hopkins, Jr.,  
 Otis N. Kelton,  
 Nelson Goodspeed,  
 William H. Stiles.

## RICHFORD.

Sherman W. Sears,  
 James G. Powell,  
 George W. Gibson,  
 Edwin S. Locke,

William Y. Wightman,  
Lewis Calkins,  
Alvin S. Chase.

## SHELDON.

Almon B. Cappell,  
Daniel F. Jones,  
Oscar F. Fish,  
Wade H. Foster,  
Joseph Fairbanks,  
William McFeeters,  
Richard A. Shattuck,

## ST. ALBANS.

William Bridges,  
Myron W. Bailey,  
F. Stewart Stranahan,  
Horace H. Farnsworth,  
Leonard Gilman,  
Lewis McD. Smith,  
Sanford J. Brigham,  
Julius H. Brooks,  
Ralph Laselle,  
Almerin Tinker,  
Foster A. Page,

## William H. Farrar.

## SWANTON.

James M. Taber,  
Edgar Wilder,  
Amasa Holdridge,  
M. H. Bliss,  
Edwin S. Meigs,  
John Sheridan,  
John Smith,  
William H. Bell,  
E. Aseltynne,  
A. A. Brooks,

## GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Alfred M. Kinney, South Hero, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
Nelson S. Hill, Isle La Motte, } *Court.*  
Heman W. Allen, North Hero, *Judge of Probate.*  
John M. Hawrican, North Hero, *State's Attorney.*  
Ransom L. Clark, North Hero, *Sheriff.*  
Luther Pixley, South Hero, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## ALBURGH.

William H. Deud,  
Ichabod E. Niles,  
Allen R. Manning,  
David S. Sweet,  
Stephen Mott,  
Hiram P. Kingsley,  
Benjamin Gordon.

## GRAND ISLE.

Jabez Ladd,  
Melvin B. Coney,

Seth Gordon, 2d.,  
Seth Gordon,  
Frederick C. Mooney.

## ISLE LA MOTTE.

Winfield S. Carrow,  
Cyrus Holcomb,  
Peter Fleury,  
Henry J. Hill,  
Melvin J. Hyde.

## NORTH HERO.

John Dodds,

F. J. Hazen,  
Alexander K. Hibbard,  
Jerome Hutchins,  
Orvis P. Knight.

## SOUTH HERO.

Albert Martin,  
Abel Phelps,  
Wallis P. Hall,  
Buel Landon,  
Proctor B. Adams.  
(See Special Report.)

The Committee further reported that the town of South Hero is entitled to five justices of the peace; three only are elected, and that Solon S. Clark, Proctor B. Adams and Buel Landon have the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Senator Ladd, of Grand Isle County, Buel Landon and Proctor B. Adams, were duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

## LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Farwell Wetherby, Cambridge, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
 Thomas Potter, Belvidere, } *Court.*  
 Christopher C. Chadwick, Johnson, *Judge of Probate.*  
 Marcellus A. Bingham, Cambridge, *State's Attorney.*  
 George W. Doty, Morristown, *Sheriff.*  
 Edwin C. White, Eden, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BELVIDERE.

Jesse Shattuck,  
 Charles B. Weston,  
 Alvah J. Chaffee,  
 Henry Thomas,  
 Thomas Potter.

## CAMBRIDGE.

David Lewis,  
 Henry Smilie,  
 Elisha Bentley,  
 Willard H. Griswold,  
 Hiram C. Gilbert,  
 John Brush 2d,  
 Joel M. Wilcox,

## EDEN.

Simeon Ingalls,  
 Abell S. Hinds,  
 Jason Rogers,  
 Amasa Stevens,  
 George H. Sargent.

## ELMORE.

Hiram Earle,  
 William J. Churchill,  
 Adolphus M. Kelly,  
 Albert M. Woodbury,

George P. White.  
*(See Special Report.)*

## HYDEPARK.

Nelson F. Keeler,  
 Thomas W. Hyde,  
 Samuel Cinnamon,  
 Lyman B. Sherwin,  
 H. D. W. Doty,  
 Leonard F. Allen,  
 Samuel Wiswall.

## JOHNSON.

Robert Balch,  
 Robert C. Cristy,  
 Christopher C. Chadwick,  
 Lucius H. Wheeler,  
 Arunah W. Caldwell,  
 Samuel Andrews,  
 Samuel G. Waters.

## MORRISTOWN.

Frank Kenfield,  
 Portus F. Spalding,  
 John P. Capron,  
 Alden Darling,  
 Luman Wheeler,  
 John L. K. Reed,  
 H. S. Kelsey.

## STOWE.

Joseph H. Bennett,  
 Orion W. Butler,  
 J. D. Beman,  
 James W. Stiles,  
 Randolph Washburn,  
 Harvey McAllister,  
 George S. Wade,  
 Albert Camp,  
 Ozro A. Edgerton,  
 Joseph C. Raymond.

## WATERVILLE.

George B. Thomas,  
 Benjamin R. Houghton,  
 Ephraim W. Brown,  
 Lyman W. Holmes,  
 Samuel R. Miller.

## WOLCOTT.

Siloam Gates,  
 David K. Andrews,  
 A. Jones,  
 Benjamin Bullock,  
 J. K. Noyes,  
 F. A. Stevens,  
 C. G. Moulton.

The Committee further reported that the town of Elmore is entitled to five justices of the peace; two only are elected, and that Albert M. Woodbury, Ira Bishop, George T. White, Hiram S. Putnam, and Adolphus M. Kelley have received the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Cook, the representative of Elmore, Albert M. Woodbury, Adolphus M. Kelly and George P. White, were duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

## ORANGE COUNTY.

Royal Burnham, Strafford, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
 Rodney E. Patterson, Orange, } *Court.*

John R. Cleaveland, Brookfield, *Judge of Probate for District of Randolph.*

Henry W. Bailey, Newbury, *Judge of Probate for District of Bradford.*

Samuel M. Gleason, Thetford, *State's Attorney.*

Benjamin F. Dickinson, Chelsea, *Sheriff.*

Charles Crocker, Brookfield, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BRADFORD.

John B. Peckett,  
 Mills O. Barber,  
 Calvin P. Clark,  
 Moses R. Chamberlin,  
 Hiram W. Kimball,  
 Edmund P. Norcross,  
 Hiram C. Driggs.

## BRAINTREE.

William C. Holman,  
 Warren E. White,  
 Jonathan Holman,  
 Samuel R. Batchelder,  
 Whitman Howard,  
 A. P. Harback,  
 James P. Cleveland, Jr.,

## BROOKFIELD.

Sprague Arnold,  
 Frederick G. Bigelow,  
 Ephraim F. Clafin,  
 John R. Cleaveland,  
 John Lamson,  
 Terence Calagan,  
 William H. Smith.

## CHELSEA.

John W. Smith,  
 Perley C. Jones,  
 Lyman G. Hinckley,  
 Carlos Moore,  
 Hyde Cabot,  
 Thomas Godfrey,  
 Amos S. Hatch.

## CORINTH.

John Richardson,  
 John A. Tenney,  
 John L. Wilson,  
 L. F. Hale,  
 George Jewell,  
 M. N. Humphrey,  
 A. J. Leighton.

## FAIRLEE.

Benjamin Celley,  
 S. L. Granger,  
 William Child,  
 B. W. Davis,  
 Dennison Melendy.

## NEWBURY.

Enoch G. Parker,  
 William B. Abbott,  
 George W. Leslie,  
 Bailey Avery,  
 Jonas W. Tuttle,  
 John Kendrick,  
 Levi L. Tucker,  
 Andrew Renfrew,  
 Alexander M. Peach,  
 Benjamin P. Wheeler.

## ORANGE.

Edwin G. Peake,  
 Rodney E. Patterson,  
 Samuel Croxford,  
 Chester Dickey,  
 Samuel Kimball,

## RANDOLPH.

Paschal P. Ripley,  
 David S. Washburn,  
 John Buswell,  
 Oliver Hinchey,  
 Alpheus Carley,  
 Gilbert Tilson,  
 Charles S. Paine,  
 Samuel Howard,  
 Nathan S. Clark,  
 Charles R. Granger.

## STRAFFORD.

Charles Barrett,  
 Nathan B. Cobb,  
 Phineas Walker,  
 Robert H. Duncan,  
 Hiram Robinson,  
 David D. Preston,  
 Anson West.

## THETFORD.

Harry H. Niles,  
 Harvey Dodge,  
 Truman Burr,  
 Cummings Hubbard,  
 William Slade,  
 John Kinsman,  
 John Colby,

## TOPSHAM.

Amherst Perkins,  
 Charles S. Miles,  
 Joseph Eastman,  
 Jacob Mills, Jr.,  
 James P. Tabor,  
 Benjamin F. Ordway,  
 William A. Bagley.

## TUNBRIDGE.

James M. Whitney,  
 Nathaniel King,  
 John Moxley,  
 Ira Mudgett,  
 Elizzur F. Howe,  
 Daniel Noyes,  
 Azro B. Drew.

## VERSHIRE.

Lenox Gilman,  
 Rufus Blanchard,  
 Moses Spear,  
 Thomas Pollard,  
 William W. Nutting,  
 Abial Pierce,  
 Richard W. Barrett.

## WASHINGTON.

Denison Densmore,  
 John B. Sanborn,  
 Andrew K. Field,  
 Charles Goss,  
 Robert F. Richardson,  
 Robert Ramsdell,  
 Porter O. Huntington,

## WEST FAIRLEE.

Alvah Bean,  
 Josiah B. Dearborn,  
 Thomas Bond,  
 Benjamin Niles,  
 John P. Southworth,  
 (See Special Report.)

## WILLIAMSTOWN.

William S. Beckett,  
 John Lynde,  
 David Gale,  
 John M. Palmer,  
 Milton Martin,  
 Nathan Hall,  
 Daniel D. Martin.

The Committee further reported that the town of West Fairlee is entitled to five justices of the peace; four only

are elected, and that John G. Eastman and John P. Southworth have the next highest, and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Cook, the representative of West Fairlee, John P. Southworth was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

## ORLEANS COUNTY.

James Simons, Glover, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
 Lyman P. Tenney, Albany, } *Court.*  
 Edward A. Stewart, Derby, *Judge of Probate.*  
 Benjamin F. D. Carpenter, Charleston, *State's Attorney.*  
 Lucien P. Gallup, Barton, *Sheriff.*  
 Joseph Bates, 2d, Derby, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## ALBANY.

Perley Hyde,  
 Lyman P. Tenney,  
 William Chamberlin,  
 Byron N. Moore,  
 J. J. Butler,  
 John E. Chamberlin,  
 K. W. Rowell.

## BARTON.

John L. Woodman,  
 Mark Nutter,  
 O. H. Austin,  
 Wilder C. Parker,  
 Mark F. Blake,  
 Benjamin Mosman,  
 Myron W. Joslyn.

## BROWNINGTON.

Amariah C. Joslyn,  
 Robert Alexander, Jr.,  
 I. A. Wyman,  
 A. K. Smith,  
 Samuel R. Jenkins.

## CHARLESTON.

E. W. Parlin,  
 J. C. Oliver,  
 L. M. Sleeper,  
 J. W. Bebee,  
 Edson Lyon,  
 Thomas L. Dolloff,  
 M. M. Melvin.

## COVENTRY.

John W. Mussey,  
 Isaac Parker,  
 Erastus Wright,  
 Warren Mitchell,  
 Samuel Burbank.

## CRAFTSBURY.

Hollis F. Allen,  
 Henry Douglass,  
 Amasa P. Dutton,  
 Horace Cass,  
 Charles G. Doty,  
 Amory Davison,  
 Adam White.

## DERBY.

James Roberts,  
 N. Sykes Tinker,  
 Brigham Pike,  
 Joel H. Holton,  
 Elisha Lane,  
 William G. Norris,  
 Alvin House.

## GLOVER.

Frederick W. Kimball,  
 Emery Cook,  
 Elias O. Randall,  
 Moses H. Mason,  
 Frederick P. A. Clark,  
 Sias King,  
 Nathan M. Scott.

## GREENSBORO.

Henry S. Tolman,  
 John A. Sawyer,  
 John Somers,  
 Alexander McLaren,  
 Robert Edson,  
 William W. Goss,  
 Jabez Pinney.

## HOLLAND.

J. C. Robinson,  
 Amon R. Moulton,  
 Horace F. Healey,

L. C. Heath,  
 Paron Huntton.

## IRASBURGH.

Samuel H. Howard,  
 Elijah P. Church,  
 Zuar E. Jameson,  
 Benjamin B. Jackman,  
 John L. Dodge,  
 Aldis E. Knight,  
 Harlow Foss.

## JAY.

A. C. Ellsworth,  
 O. F. Sisco,  
 Anthony Greenwood,  
 G. W. Crandall,  
 S. B. Wakeman.

## LOWELL.

John Harding,  
 Leigh R. Wellman,  
 Edward Stephenson,  
 Henry H. Newton,  
 Simonds F. Phelps.

## MORGAN.

Byram Bartlett,  
 Charles Leavens,  
 Charles Sanborn,  
 R. C. Elliott,  
 John Morse.

## NEWPORT.

Orville Robinson,  
 Simon Smith,  
 Kendrick Richmond,  
 Philander Wright,  
 Ezra Palmer,  
 Johnson Miller,  
 George L. Sleeper.

## SALEM.

Calvin S. Grow,  
John G. Parlin,  
David Hopkinson,  
Lewis Arnold,  
David N. Gibb.

## TROY.

Orin Dorman,

Samuel Sumner,  
Thomas J. Sartwell,  
Ira A. Bailey,  
Albert Hodsdon,  
Leonard G. Leach,  
Levi C. Moore.

## WESTFIELD.

Harry J. Gilpin,  
David F. Boynton,

William H. Richardson,  
Nathaniel C. Hoyt,  
Orlando Winslow.

## WESTMORE.

Alonzo Bemis,  
William Silsby,  
Harry Cheney,  
Calvin Gibson,  
Hiram Mason.

## RUTLAND COUNTY.

James K. Hyde, Sudbury, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
Bradley Fish, Ira, } *Court.*  
Cyrenus M. Willard, Castleton, *Judge of Probate for Dis-*  
*trict of Fair Haven.*

Walter C. Dunton, Rutland, *Judge of Probate for District*  
*of Rutland.*

Horace G. Wood, Fair Haven, *State's Attorney.*

William M. Field, Rutland, *Sheriff.*

George Capron, Tinmouth, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BENSON.

Daniel Crofoot,  
James H. Goodrich,  
Franklin W. Walker,  
Royal D. King,  
Martin C. Rice,  
John Carter,  
Amasa Briggs.

## BRANDON.

Ezra June,  
Harry S. McCollum,  
Rodney V. Marsh,  
George W. Parmenter,  
Stephen B. June,  
Horace Ellis,  
Volney Ross,  
Josiah Q. Hawkins,  
John Capron,  
Edgar J. Ormsbee,  
Nathan Hatch,  
William A. Williams.

## CASTLETON.

Chester Spencer,  
Cyrenus M. Willard,  
Philip Pond,  
Pitt W. Hyde,  
Fayette Barney,  
Samuel L. Hazard,  
Hiram O. Brown,  
J. S. Benedict.

Joseph H. Gaines,  
Gilbert Barber.

## CHITTENDEN.

Reuben Harris,  
Benjamin F. Manley,  
Nathan Hewitt,  
Hiram F. Baird,  
R. O. Dow.

## CLARENDON.

Hiram B. Spafford,  
William S. Weeks,  
John E. Nelson,  
Linus F. Colvin,  
Joseph Congdon,  
Julius A. C. Ewing,  
Byron Murray.

## DANBY.

Albert Bucklin,  
Joseph N. Phillips,  
Charles H. Congdon,  
John S. Parris,  
William Otis,  
Austin S. Baker,  
Ira H. Vail.

## FAIR HAVEN.

Zenas C. Ellis,  
Coriel Reed,  
Owen Owens,  
Simeon Allen,

Seth Thompson,  
Samuel Wood,  
James H. Wood.

## HUBBARDTON.

Chauncey S. Rumsey,  
Norman Jones,  
Archibald Gibbs,  
Daniel Holmes,  
Henry G. Barber.

## IRA.

Bradley Fish,  
Enos C. Fish,  
Smith Johnson,  
Amos Wetmore,  
Jeremiah Thornton.

## MENDON.

Ezra Edson,  
William Buckley,  
John E. Johnson,  
Oliver Tenney,  
Hosea F. Wilkins.

## MIDDLETOWN.

Alpheus Haynes,  
Warren McClure,  
R. Coleman,  
Lucius Copeland,  
Robert R. Woodward.

## MOUNT HOLLY.

Hiram Dickerman,



Alfred Crowley,  
Nelson A. Holton,  
Moses D. Harrington,  
Philip Lord,  
Alvah C. Randall,  
S. H. Chaffee.

## MOUNT TABOR.

Luther P. Howe,  
Daniel H. Lane,  
Amasa Thompson,  
Benjamin F. Eddy,  
Nathaniel E. Nichols.

## PAWLET.

Jonathan Randall,  
Leonard Johnson,  
Smith Hitt,  
Abbott Robinson,  
Austin S. Whitcomb,  
Daniel H. Bromley,  
M. Colvin.

## PITTSFIELD.

Lyman Gibbs,  
Rufus Holt,  
Rufus F. Wing,  
Gad Segar,  
George McCollom.

## PITTSFORD.

Jeffrey A. Randall,  
Capen Leonard,  
William E. Hall,  
Daniel P. Peabody,  
Rollin C. Smith,  
Dan K. Hall,  
Ithiel B. Worden.

## POULTNEY.

Merritt Clark,

Joseph Joslyn,  
John B. Beaman,  
Ira M. Clark,  
Barnes Frisbie,  
Harlow Hosford,  
Elijah Ross,  
Solomon E. Hecker,  
Luther Thrall,  
Almeron B. Ripley.

## RUTLAND.

William H. B. Owen,  
Henry Hall,  
Harley G. Sheldon,  
Porter Howe,  
Sylvester Jones,  
Horace H. Dyer,  
Edson P. Gilson,  
Warren H. Smith,  
Albert Landon,  
Ner P. Simons,  
George H. Oshorn,  
Benjamin R. Greene,  
Robert S. Peabody,  
Edward H. Ripley,  
James E. Manley.

## SHERBURNE.

John Johnson,  
Isaac A. Morse,  
Richard Estabrooks,  
Warner Bates,  
Milo J. Moore,

(See Special Report)

## SHREWSBURY.

William F. Morse,  
Eleazer W. Aldrich,  
Samuel F. Smith,  
Nathaniel J. Aldrich,

Horace G. Hewitt,  
David B. Jones,  
Jonathan B. Story.

## SUDBURY.

William P. J. Hyde,  
Lyman Hawkins,  
James M. Ketchum,  
Edward L. Hall,  
R. V. R. Horton.

## TINMOUTH.

George Capron,  
Judah H. Round,  
Cyrus Cramton,  
Levi Rice, Jr.,  
Rollin C. Cook.

## WALLINGFORD.

Harvey Shaw,  
Hosea Eddy,  
George H. Edgerton,  
Calvin M. Townsend,  
William Kent,  
Roswell Earl,  
Charles O. Stafford.

## WELLS.

Artemas Lewis,  
Darwin M. Hulett,  
Winslow Goodspeed,  
Russell Lamb,  
Hiland E. Paul.

## WEST HAVEN.

Rodney C. Abell,  
John O'Reilly,  
Hiram K. Hunt,  
Samuel W. Tryon,  
Seth W. Horton.

The Committee further reported that the town of Sherburne is entitled to five justices of the peace; two only are elected, and that Milo J. Moore, Wells Webb, Warner Bates and Richard Estabrooks have received the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Brigham, the representative from Pittsfield, Richard Estabrook, Warren Bates and Milo J. Moore, were duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Chester W. H. Dwinnell, Marshfield, } *Assistant Judges of*  
Josiah Wood, Barre, } *County Court.*  
Timothy R. Merrill, Montpelier, *Judge of Probate.*  
Melville E. Smilie, Waterbury, *State's Attorney.*  
Alonzo D. Pearce, Calais, *Sheriff.*  
Sidney Brown, Waterbury, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## BAREE.

Charles Templeton,  
Carlos Carpenter,  
William E. Whitcomb,  
Horace Fildel,  
Benjamin B. Cook,  
Joseph Perkins,  
Horace Batchelder.

## BERLIN.

Joseph W. Wheelock,  
Sylvanus F. Nye,  
Artemas N. Person,  
Oscar D. Jones,  
William McIntosh,  
John Bedee,  
John E. Hale.

## CABOT.

Theron H. Lance,  
Charles C. Perry,  
Matthew P. Wallace,  
George H. Paige,  
Roland B. Bruce,  
Nathaniel K. Abbott,  
John W. Walbridge.

## CALAIS.

Alonzo Pearce,  
Charles S. Bennett,  
Walter P. Slayton,  
Samuel S. Macomber,  
John V. R. Kent,  
Joseph W. Leonard,  
Edwin D. Haskell.

## DUXBURY.

Isalah Huntley,  
Luther Graves,  
Janus Crossett,  
Park Avery,  
Abel A. Lewis.

## EAST MONTPELIER.

Addison Peck,  
Samuel S. Kelton,  
Jacob Rich,  
Squire Bailey,  
Austin D. Arns,  
Nicholas H. Bennett,  
Truman C. Kelton.

## FAYSTON.

Willard B. Porter,  
James Baird, Jr.,  
William S. Chipman,  
Cornelius McMullin,  
Henry H. Morgan.

## MARSHFIELD.

Andrew English,  
Mervin Roberts,  
John B. Pike,  
Daniel R. Loveland,  
Marshall D. Perkins,  
William R. Gove,  
Carroll Flood.

## MIDDLESEX.

James H. Holden,  
Don P. Carpenter,  
Christopher O. Putnam,  
William Chapin,  
I. R. Dunsmoor,  
William H. Holden,  
Jease Flint.

## MONTPELIER.

Charles Reed,  
Carlos Bancroft,  
William W. Cadwell,  
Luther Cross,  
Denison Dewey,  
Nelson Robinson,  
Oramel H. Smith,  
John Spalding,  
Samuel Wells,  
Medad Wright.

## MORETOWN.

Gilman T. Eaton,  
Thos. J. Deavitt,  
Nathaniel R. Marshall,  
Curtis Carpenter,  
Patrick Conway,  
Smith Freeman,  
Azro L. Smalley.

## NORTHFIELD.

Alvin Braley,  
David W. Hadley,  
Loren G. Fuller,  
William E. Best,  
William C. Woodbury,  
Frederick Parker,  
Abiel F. Andrews,  
Ira A. Holton,  
John Graves,  
Simon F. Judd,  
David T. Averill,  
Christopher S. Dole.  
(See *Special Report*.)

## PLAINFIELD.

Willard S. Martin,  
Nathaniel Townshend,

Ira Stone,  
Hiram Potter,  
S. S. Bemis.

## ROXBURY.

Erastus N. Spalding,  
Stores S. Clough,  
Charles Spalding,  
Hiram Walbridge,  
John F. Roys,  
Charles J. Holden,  
Gideon Edwards.

## WAITSFIELD.

Hiram Jones,  
Jonathan H. Hastings,  
Calvin Fullerton,  
Ezra O. Joslyn,  
John S. Campbell,  
Ira Richardson,  
Loren W. Jones.

## WARREN.

Horace W. Lyford,  
Lewis Cardell,  
Suel C. Billings,  
Hazen Lyford,  
James Cardell,  
Silvester Upham,  
Charles W. Bragg.

## WATERBURY.

Leander H. Haines,  
Daniel Hopkins,  
Curtis Wells,  
Carroll C. Stevens,  
Stephen J. Guptil,  
Francis S. Noble,  
Andrew J. Brown,  
George H. Lease,  
Joseph G. Smith,  
Charles C. Robinson.

## WOODBURY.

Michael Jackson,  
Lovrin Lyford,  
Thomas Harvey, Jr.,  
Isaac Wells,  
Elisha C. Fisk,  
Joshua M. Dana,  
Nathaniel McKnight.

## WORCESTER.

Nathaniel A. Kelly,  
Elijah B. Harris,  
Horace Hovey,  
Farris Leonard,  
Cyrus Brown.

The Committee further reported that the town of Northfield is entitled to twelve justices of the peace; ten only are elected, and that Lyman Webster, David T. Averill, Orvis D. Edgerton and Christopher S. Dole have the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Warner, the representative of Northfield, David T. Averill and Christopher S. Dole, were duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

Ezra T. Butterfield, Wilmington, } *Assistant Judges of*  
 Ormando S. Howard, Townshend, } *County Court.*  
 Abishai Stoddard, Townshend, *Judge of Probate for District*  
*of Westminster.*

Royall Tyler, Brattleboro, *Judge of Probate for District of*  
*Marlboro'.*

Charles E. Arnold, Rockingham, *State's Attorney.*

Seth N. Herrick, Brattleboro, *Sheriff.*

Charles S. Lynde, Guilford, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## ATHENS.

Andrew A. Wyman,  
 Mark Ball,  
 Amos T. Ball,  
 Elijah P. Shattuck,  
 John H. Austin.

## BRATTLEBORO.

Asa Keyes,  
 Royall Tyler,  
 Lafayette Clark,  
 Willard Arms,  
 Daniel Kellogg,  
 William S. Newton,  
 Charles K. Field,  
 Joseph Steen,  
 Kittredge Haskins,  
 James M. Tyler,  
 George Howe,  
 Timothy Vinton.

## BROOKLINE.

Erastus Whitney,  
 John B. Stebbins,  
 William Adams,  
 Everette P. Wellman,  
 Oscar C. Merrifield.

## DOVER.

William H. Jones,  
 Joel Lyman,  
 Sidney H. Sherman,  
 Laban Jones, Jr.,  
 Resolved S. Staples.

## DUMMERSTON.

Joseph Miller,  
 George W. Walker,  
 Jesse E. Warden,  
 John K. Leonard,  
 Sanford W. Wilson,  
 Benjamin Willard,  
 Orren L. Bennett.

## GRAFTON.

Ambrose Burgess,  
 Gardner Upham,  
 W. G. Wyman,  
 Isaac Glynn,  
 Samuel Phelps,  
 Albert H. Burgess,  
 Thomas W. Davis.

## GUILFORD.

Rodney B. Field,  
 Samuel L. Hunt,

Nathan P. Chapin,  
 Augustus W. Putnam,  
 Levi Boyden,  
 Joseph H. Richmond,  
 Stephen Smith,  
*(See Special Report.)*

## HALIFAX.

Jedediah Stark,  
 Joseph L. Harrington,  
 Martin Scott 2d,  
 Levi M. Tucker,  
 Alpheus H. Stone,  
 Prescott S. Eames,  
 Jerome Thompson.

## JAMAICA.

Luke Howard,  
 Henry H. Felton,  
 Lewis N. Sprague,  
 Aaron M. Butler,  
 Squire Gleason,  
 Daniel Sherwin,  
 Henry Wheeler.

## LONDONDERRY.

Dwight Tyler,  
 Barnet Wait,  
 Albert M. Ailbe,  
 Curtis Robinson,  
 Henry A. Walker,  
 Henry P. Dodge,  
 Ichabod Gibson.

## MARLBORO.

Charles M. Adams,  
 William W. Lynde,  
 Orison Thayer,  
 J. P. Mather,  
 Albert M. Prouty.

## NEWFANE.

Eugene P. Wheeler,  
 Frederick O. Burditt,  
 Franklin Moore,  
 Holland Plimpton,  
 Hollis T. Robinson,  
 James Charter,  
 Marshall Newton,

## PUTNEY.

John Kimball,  
 Simon W. Houghton,  
 James Crawford,  
 Franklin Austin,  
 Denison Davis,

Joseph Jones,  
 Edward P. Washburn.

## ROCKINGHAM.

William H. Johnson,  
 Jabez D. Bridgman,  
 Russell Hyde,  
 Leonard C. Hubbard,  
 John Baker,  
 John A. Farnsworth,  
 Ithamar Bolles,  
 Maynard F. Burt,  
 Daniel G. Nourse,  
 George C. Bidwell.

## SOMERSET.

Sumner Curtis,  
 Hollis Town,  
 Emery P. Eddy,  
 Hollis Town, Jr.,  
 Asa Burnap.

## STRATTON.

Melvin A. Knowlton,  
 Jacob B. Grout,  
 Rufus Lyman,  
 Joseph Pike,  
 Chester O. Holden.

## TOWNSHEND.

Francis Kidder,  
 Aurelius C. Howard,  
 Granville J. Austin,  
 Jonas Twitchell,  
 Ira K. Batchelder,  
 John S. Fullerton,  
 Ormando S. Howard.

## VERNON.

Joseph E. Franklin,  
 Lorenzo Brown,  
 Roswell S. Wood,  
 Artemas H. Washburn,  
 Edwin O. Lee.

## WARDSBORO.

David Eddy,  
 Jedediah C. Estabrook,  
 Avery J. Dexter,  
 Martin Leonard,  
 Darwin A. Hammond,  
 Norman C. Johnson,  
 William F. Gleason.

## WESTMINSTER.

Sylvester S. Stoddard,

Nathan Fisher,  
Nathan G. Pierce,  
Thomas W. Willey,  
Ira Goodhue,  
John Minard,  
D. C. Gorham.

## WHITINGHAM.

Reuben Winn,  
Leonard Brown,  
Horatio N. Hix,

George Porter,  
Calvin Baker,  
Henry B. Brown,  
A. A. Butterfield.

## WILMINGTON.

Eleaser L. Waterman,  
Oscar E. Butterfield,  
Milo R. Crosby,  
Benjamin L. Barnard,

Leicester Cushman,  
Edward Titus,  
Henry Whitney.

## WINDHAM.

William Harris,  
David E. Robbins,  
Asa T. Gould,  
Frederick Mack,  
Asahel Upham.

The Committee further reported that the town of Guilford is entitled to seven justices of the peace; six only are elected, and that Charles E. Alexander, Stephen Smith, Thompson E. Burdick and Frank E. Ward have received the next highest and each an equal number of votes; whereupon, on nomination of Mr. Hunt, the representative of Guilford, Stephen Smith was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing by a *viva voce* vote.

## WINDSOR COUNTY.

John S. Marcy, Royalton, } *Assistant Judges of County*  
Calvin French, Cavendish, } *Court.*

William Rounds, Chester, *Judge of Probate for District of Windsor.*

John Porter, Hartford, *Judge of Probate for District of Hartford.*

James M. Edminster, Windsor, *State's Attorney.*

Surry W. Stimson, Ludlow, *Sheriff.*

Granville P. Spaulding, Chester, *High Bailiff.*

## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

## ANDOVER.

George W. Stickney,  
Albert E. Stannard,  
Stephen Dudley,  
Henry J. Parker,  
Alden Jaquith.

## BALTIMORE.

Joseph W. Leland,  
Putnam J. Thompson,  
Lewis Bemis,  
George Davis,  
Zenas H. Graves.

## BRANAOD.

Isaac D. Davis,  
Daniel Aikens,

Joel Ellis,  
George C. Hammond,  
Elisha R. Morgan,  
Levi D. Leavitt,  
John Cobb.

## BETHEL.

Joel B. Putnam,  
George S. Hatch,  
Leland D. Horton,  
Benjamin G. Bundy,  
Benjamin G. Fisk,  
Alonso B. Bird,  
Edwin Sturtevant.

## BRIDGEWATER.

Alpheus B. Simons,

Joseph S. Comings,  
Justin S. Montague,  
R. W. Pinney,  
C. C. Bugbee,  
M. E. Kennedy,  
Solomon Warren.

## CAVENDISH.

Samuel Adams,  
Josiah Gilson,  
Saxon A. Craigue,  
Horatio S. Pierce,  
William Smith,  
Alanda W. Richardson,  
Henry A. Fletcher.

## CHESTER.

Frederick W. Marsh,

Henry Morris,  
Simeon Sherwin,  
Lewis Hill,  
Addison S. Adams,  
Pierpoint F. Bowker,  
Lucius M. Carpenter,  
Edward E. Barney,  
Alpheus A. Adams,  
John L. Johnson.

## HARTFORD.

John Porter,  
Volney Thurston,  
Luther Pease,  
Darius Russ,  
Charles A. Sperry,  
William L. Bragg,  
Zerah B. Clark,  
Mark F. Bartholomew,  
William S. Carter,  
Justus W. French.

## HARTLAND.

Albert B. Burke,  
William S. Crooker,  
Benjamin F. Labaree,  
Samuel Taylor,  
Elam M. Goodwin,  
James G. Bates,  
Paul D. Richardson.

## LUDLOW.

Hiram W. Albee,  
William P. Spafford,  
Ora J. Taylor,  
Leonard Wilcox,  
George E. Walker,  
Ryland C. Haven,  
Charles S. Mason.

## NORWICH.

Cyrus Tracy,  
Jonathan S. Lord,  
Joseph K. Edgerton,  
Elihu N. Finney,  
Calvin Strong,  
Caleb West,  
Joseph T. Loveland.

## PLYMOUTH.

Jairus Josselyn,  
Henry F. Pinney,  
Cyrus Johnson,  
Thomas Moore,  
George W. Day,  
Levi J. Green,

Harmon McWain.

## POMFRET.

Harvey N. Bruce,  
Joseph H. Pratt,  
Charles R. Whitman,  
Norman Paul,  
Alonzo L. Chamberlin,  
John C. Thurston,  
Crosby Miller.

## READING.

William Felch,  
Charles S. Whitmore,  
Wm. W. Keyes,  
Hiram F. Thomas,  
Charles Buck,  
Merritt E. Goddard,  
Andrew R. Adams.

## ROCHESTER.

Horace L. Richmond,  
Ezra McCollum,  
G. L. Chaffee,  
Joseph L. Morse,  
Christopher A. Webber,  
Ezra Washburn,  
W. W. Williams.

## ROYALTON.

John W. Metcalf,  
Levi Rix,  
Edward Foster,  
Ebenezer Winslow,  
Orrin A. Burbank,  
Harry Goff,  
Silas R. Williams.

## SHARON.

John P. Smith,  
Pelatiah Metcalf,  
James Parker,  
Joel H. Marsh,  
Albert E. Williamson,  
Charles H. Maxham,  
Moses Preston.

## SPRINGFIELD.

Samuel W. Porter,  
Henry Closson,  
David M. Smith,  
Samuel Rollins,  
William H. Haskell,  
Benjamin W. Weeden,  
Henry Safford,  
Horace H. Howe,  
Henry Barnard,

William H. Albee.

## STOCKBRIDGE.

Milton E. Smith,  
Nelson Gay,  
Nathan Davis,  
Benjamin Cozzens,  
Albert A. Brooks,  
Albert Whitcomb,  
George F. Chapin,

## WEATHERSFIELD.

James W. Goldsmith,  
George Barrett,  
Samuel H. Adams,  
Walter Newell,  
Gilman H. Shedd,  
Baxter Barrows,  
George W. Sheldon.

## WESTON.

George W. Wiley,  
Quincy A. Cragin,  
John T. Bryant,  
Simeon D. Spaulding,  
Alanson Whitman.

## WEST WINDSOR.

Samuel Barker,  
Frederick Moulton,  
Walter I. Kendall,  
Daniel F. Hemenway,  
Eugene H. Spaulding.

## WINDSOR.

John T. Freeman,  
Thales B. Winn,  
James M. Edminster,  
Jonathan B. Farnsworth,  
Edward D. Sabin,  
James A. Pollard,  
William H. Fullerton.

## WOODSTOCK.

Daniel Taft,  
Nathan T. Churchill,  
Samuel Wood,  
Henry W. Walker,  
Thomas Russell,  
Ovid Thompson,  
Henry W. English,  
Reuben M. Slayton,  
Henry Boynton,  
George G. Rymond,  
Lorenzo Kent,  
George R. Chapman.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College; whereupon the following elections were made by a *viva voce* vote, viz:

On nomination of Mr. Foster, the representative of Wolcott,

HORACE HERRICK, of Wolcott;

On nomination of Senator Farnham, of Orange county,

JUSTIN S. MORRILL, of Strafford;

On nomination of Senator Hutchinson, of Franklin county,  
SAMUEL H. STEVENS, of Enosburgh.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,  
*Clerk.*

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,  
November 4, 1869, 2:30 P. M. }

The Joint Assembly, convened for the purpose of electing certain State officers, met pursuant to adjournment;

His Honor, GEORGE W. HENDÉE, President of the Senate, in the chair;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of Railroad Commissioner:

Mr. Wales of Burlington nominated Edwin D. Mason; Mr. Gleed of Morristown nominated Richard F. Parker; Mr. Aiken of Troy nominated Saul Bishop; Senator Dale of Essex county, Messrs. Gleed of Morristown, and Aiken of Troy, were appointed tellers. The ballots having been taken and examined, it appeared that

RICHARD F. PARKER, of Wolcott,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,  
*Clerk.*

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,  
November 4, 1869, 2:30 P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which is as follows:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at half past two o'clock this

afternoon, for the purpose of electing three trustees of the Vermont Reform School for the year ensuing ;

His Honor, GEORGE W. HENDEE, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of the officers named in the foregoing resolution :

For First Trustee of the Vermont Reform School, Senator Heath, of Washington county, nominated Charles Reed, of Montpelier ; pending which, on motion of Mr. Gleed, of Morristown, said election was postponed till Tuesday next, at two and one half o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Grandey, of Vergennes, the Joint Assembly adjourned till Tuesday next, at two and one half o'clock in the afternoon.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,  
*Clerk.*

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,  
November 9, 1869, 2:30 P. M. }

The Joint Assembly convened for the purpose of electing three trustees of the Vermont Reform School, met pursuant to adjournment ;

His Honor, GEORGE W. HENDEE, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, Clerk.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of the officers named :

For First Trustee of the Vermont Reform School, Senator Hastings, of Washington county, nominated Charles Reed ; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

CHARLES REED, of Montpelier,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Second Trustee of the Vermont Reform School, Mr. Joyce, of Rutland, nominated Philip H. Gleed ; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

PHILIP H. GLEED, of Morristown,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Third Trustee of the Vermont Reform School, Mr. Wood, of Fairhaven, nominated John L. Mason ; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

JOHN L. MASON, of Richmond,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, *Clerk*.

IN JOINT ASSEMBLY,  
November 9, 1869, 3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Senate and House of Representatives met in Joint Assembly in the Hall of the House of Representatives, in pursuance of a joint resolution, which was as follows :

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives,*  
That the two Houses meet in Joint Assembly, on Tuesday next at three o'clock P. M., to elect a Chief Judge and five Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of this State ; also, to elect a Reporter of the decisions of said court for the year ensuing ;

His Honor, GEORGE W. HENDEE, President of the Senate, in the chair ;

GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State, *Clerk*.

The Joint Assembly proceeded to the election of the aforementioned officers :

For Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Mr. Grandey, of Vergennes, nominated John Pierpoint ; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

JOHN PIERPOINT, of Vergennes,  
was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For First Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court, Senator Pingry, of Windsor county, nominated James Barrett ; whereupon, no other nomination being made,



**JAMES BARRETT**, of Woodstock,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Second Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court, Senator Dewey, of Washington county, nominated Asahel Peck; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

**ASAHEL PECK**, of Montpelier,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Third Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court, Senator Royce, of Franklin county, nominated William C. Wilson; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

**WILLIAM C. WILSON**, of Bakersfield,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing.

For Fourth Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court, Mr. Grout, of Barton, nominated Benjamin H. Steele; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

**BENJAMIN H. STEELE**, of St. Johnsbury,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Fifth Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court, Mr. Joyce, of Rutland, nominated Hoyt H. Wheeler; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

**HOYT H. WHEELER**, of Jamaica,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

For Reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, Mr. Wood, of Fairhaven, nominated Wheelock G. Veazey; whereupon, no other nomination being made,

**WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY**, of Rutland,

was duly elected to that office for the year ensuing, by a *viva voce* vote.

The Joint Assembly dissolved.

**GEORGE NICHOLS**, Secretary of State,  
*Clerk.*

STATE OF VERMONT,  
Office of Secretary of State, Montpelier, Nov. 9, 1869. }

**I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true journal of the Joint Assembly of the State of Vermont, for the annual session A. D. 1869.**

**GEORGE NICHOLS, Secretary of State,**  
*Clerk.*



# APPENDIX.

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# APPENDIX.

## TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

### *To the Honorable Legislature of the State of Vermont :*

In compliance with the provisions of its charter, the officers of the National Life Insurance Company have the honor to submit its twentieth annual report of the affairs of the company, showing its condition October 31, 1869 :

Assets October 31, 1868.....	\$709,576.23
Received since for premiums.....	\$163,736.04
Received since for interest.....	61,951.09
	<u>225,687.13</u>

\$935,263.36

#### Disbursements during the year :

Paid claims by death.....	\$29,600.00
“ salaries, rents and taxes.....	8,370.19
“ surrendered policies and dividends.....	13,454.81
“ dividends to policy holders.....	28,678.51
“ printing, postage, stationery, &c.....	5,809.65
“ commissions to agents.....	14,049.66
	<u>99,962.82</u>

Assets October 31, 1869, at par.....\$835,300.54

2462 policies in force November 1, 1868, insuring.....	\$1,309,381.00
302 “ { issued since “ “ “.....	596,530.00

2764	\$4,905,911.00
146 policies cancelled.....	295,658.00

2618 policies in force October 31, 1869, insuring.....	\$4,610,253.00
Additions to policies for dividends of surplus.....	79,459.00

Total amount insured.....\$4,689,712.00

#### Assets invested as follows :

Loans secured by mortgage.....	\$403,576.44
“ on collateral security.....	16,641.07
Premium notes.....	40,774.97
Vermont State Bonds, at par.....	48,500.00

Burlington City Bonds, at par.....	\$35,000.00
United States ".....	206,350.00
Bank Stocks ".....	23,950.00
Office and house.....	6,000.00
Agents' accounts (less commissions).....	39,380.67
Cash in office and bank.....	15,127.39
<b>Assets at par.....</b>	<b>\$835,300.54</b>
Add premium on stocks.....	81,179.00
" interest accrued (estimated).....	10,000.00
	<b>\$876,479.54</b>

GEORGE W. REED, *Secretary.*

JULIUS Y. DEWEY, *President.*

At Montpelier, this twelfth day of November, A. D. 1869, personally appeared Julius Y. Dewey, President, and George W. Reed, Secretary, and made oath to the above statement by them subscribed.

GEORGE NICHOLS, *Secretary of State.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND DEBENTURES.

### SENATE.

ADDISON COUNTY.		GRAND ISLE COUNTY.	
	MILES.		MILES.
William P. Nash.....	78	Jed. P. Ladd.....	83
Rollin J. Jones.....	81		
BENNINGTON COUNTY.		LAMOILLE COUNTY.	
Martin J. Love.....		Asa R. Camp.....	22
Franklin H. Orvis.....	144		
CALEDONIA COUNTY.		ORANGE COUNTY.	
Harley M. Hall.....	146	Roswell Farnham.....	94
Horace Fairbanks.....		James Hutchinson, Jr.....	34
CHITTENDEN COUNTY.		ORLEANS COUNTY.	
Ezra B. Green.....	25	William G. Elkins.....	178
Alfred B. Halbert.....	40	Jerry E. Dickerman.....	173
George G. Benedict.....	41		
ESSEX COUNTY.		RUTLAND COUNTY.	
George N. Dale.....	160	Merritt Clark.....	
		George A. Merrill.....	107
FRANKLIN COUNTY.		Lucius Copeland.....	136
William R. Hutchinson.....	82		
Robert J. Saxe.....	71	WASHINGTON COUNTY.	
Homer E. Royce.....	84	Charles Dewey.....	1
		Charles H. Heath.....	10
		J. Harmon Hastings.....	20

WINDHAM COUNTY.		WINDSOR COUNTY.	
	MILES.		MILES.
David Goodell.....	130	William Collamer.....	66
Hoyt H. Wheeler.....	140	Albert G. Dewey.....	65
		William M. Pingry.....	97

## HOUSE.

*To the House of Representatives now in session :*

The Committee on Mileage and Debentures, to whom was referred the mileage of members, having had the same under consideration, respectfully submit the following report :

ADDISON COUNTY.		MILES.
Addison .....	Cyrus W. Strong .....	74
Bridport .....	John O. Hamilton .....	81
Bristol .....	Jonathan B. Dike .....	78
Cornwall .....	Julius B. Benedict .....	80
Ferrisburgh .....	James W. Barnes .....	65
Goshen .....	Alfred H. Knapp .....	97
Granville .....	Elias L. Jewett .....	66
Hancock .....	Horatio N. Bull .....	61
Leicester .....	Stephen Alden .....	88
Lincoln .....	Howard Clark, 2d .....	78
Middlebury .....	Calvin Hill .....	74
Monkton .....	Henry B. Williams .....	77
New Haven .....	Jabez W. Langdon .....	68
Orwell .....	Chauncey H. Conkey .....	106
Panton .....	Andrew Jackson .....	66
Ripton .....	Henry B. Ripley .....	83
Salisbury .....	Royal D. Hedden .....	82
Shoreham .....	Julius H. North .....	93
Starksboro' .....	Edwin W. Washburn .....	65
Vergennes .....	George W. Grandey .....	62
Waltham .....	Harry Evarts .....	68
Weybridge .....	Loyal Huntington .....	78
Whiting .....	Asahel H. Hubbard .....	91

BENNINGTON COUNTY.		
Arlington .....	Harman Canfield .....	152
Bennington .....	George Benton .....	160
Dorset .....	William H. Bebee .....	144
Glastenbury .....	George Eddy .....	171
Landgrove .....	Ephraim Moore .....	153
Manchester .....	Mason S. Colburn .....	140
Peru .....	Joseph P. Long .....	159
Pownal .....	Pliny Wright .....	190
Readsboro .....	A. Harvey Tucker .....	
Rupert .....	John Farrar .....	154
Sandgate .....	Elisha B. Hurd .....	165
Searsburg .....	None .....	
Shaftsbury .....	Milo Pierce .....	162
Stamford .....	James M. Peak .....	204



		MILES.
Sanderland .....	Paul Shuffleton.....	148
Winhall .....	Austin P. Graham.....	150
Woodford.....	Amos Aldrich.....	172

## CALEDONIA COUNTY.

Barnet.....	Isaac M. Smith.....	113
Burke.....	Julius A. Humphrey.....	146
Danville.....	Abial C. Palmer.....	131
Groton.....	Almon L. Clark.....	110
Hardwick.....	Joseph Underwood.....	30
Kirby.....	Joseph Nickerson.....	144
Lyndon.....	Jonas N. Bartlett.....	134
Newark.....	Marshall W. Stoddard.....	144
Peacham.....	Orman P. Hooker.....	117
Ryegate.....	John Bigelow.....	108
Sheffield.....	Isaac K. Kenaston.....	145
St. Johnsbury.....	Emerson Hall.....	125
Stannard.....	Harvey N. Kingsbury.....	35
Sutton.....	Nahum K. Campbell.....	147
Walden.....	Samuel Harrington.....	131
Waterford.....	Abraham B. Ross.....	135
Wheelock.....	George Giffin, Jr.....	142

## CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

Bolton.....	Saul Bishop.....	19
Burlington.....	Torry E. Wales.....	41
Charlotte.....	Alanson Edgarton.....	54
Colchester.....	Alonzo J. Stevens.....	39
Essex.....	Asa Brigham.....	40
Hinesburgh.....	Frederick H. Baldwin.....	54
Huntington.....	Philemon Remington.....	28
Jericho.....	None.....	
Milton.....	Charles I. Ladd.....	48
Richmond.....	John L. Mason.....	25
Shelburne.....	Walter A. Weed.....	45
South Burlington.....	Thaddeus F. Stuart.....	44
St. George.....	John V. S. Isham.....	36
Underhill.....	Patrick Barrett.....	51
Westford.....	Jotham S. Rice.....	53
Williston.....	Jason Clark.....	32

## ESSEX COUNTY.

Bloomfield.....	Gardner Merrill.....	180
Brighton.....	Joseph Andrew.....	160
Brunswick.....	Andrew J. Taylor.....	185
Canaan.....	George W. Huntoon.....	195
Concord.....	Charles Chase.....	133
East Haven.....	Abraham S. Howard.....	150
Granby.....	Marcus L. Reed.....	153
Guildhall.....	Ezra S. Freeman.....	165
Lemington.....	Rollin W. Holbrook.....	184
Lunenburg.....	Luther A. Nichols.....	163
Maidstone.....	None.....	
Victory.....	Willard H. Kneeland.....	145

## FRANKLIN COUNTY.

		MILES.
Bakersfield.....	Josiah F. Brigham.....	75
Berkshire.....	George S. Goodrich.....	87
Enosburgh.....	Caleb R. Brewer.....	82
Fairfax.....	George A. Ballard.....	55
Fairfield.....	James M. Soule.....	67
Fletcher.....	John Kinsley.....	66
Franklin.....	James D. Brown.....	
Georgia.....	Joseph Furmort.....	51
Highbgate.....	Oscar S. Rixford.....	72
Montgomery.....	Heman Hopkins, Jr.....	94
Richford.....	William C. Brown.....	90
Sheldon.....	William M. Deming.....	76
St. Albans.....	George G. Hunt.....	60
Swanton.....	Henry A. Burt.....	70

## GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Alburgh.....	Edward J. Reynolds.....	83
Grand Isle.....	Stephen P. Gordon.....	64
Isle La Motte.....	Henry H. Goodsell.....	100
North Hero.....	Fred. Parks.....	94
South Hero.....	George B. Keeler.....	61

## LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Belvidere.....	Luther H. Hurlburt.....	66
Cambridge.....	Farwell Wetherby.....	59
Eden.....	Edwin C. White.....	44
Elmore.....	David Cook.....	20
Hydepark.....	Carroll S. Page.....	32
Johnson.....	Isaac A. Manning.....	40
Morristown.....	Philip K. Gleed.....	30
Stowe.....	Vernon M. Smith.....	22
Waterville.....	Lyman W. Holmes.....	60
Wolcott.....	George P. Foster.....	30

## ORANGE COUNTY.

Bradford.....	Asa M. Dickey.....	9
Braintree.....	William C. Holman.....	34
Brookfield.....	Andrew S. Allis.....	39
Chelsea.....	Lyman G. Hinckley.....	60
Corinth.....	Frederick P. Eaton.....	104
Fairlee.....	David C. Abbott.....	90
Newbury.....	John Bailey, Jr.....	113
Orange.....	Lyman Jackson.....	30
Randolph.....	Nathan S. Clark.....	34
Strafford.....	Chester B. Dow.....	84
Thetford.....	Harry H. Niles.....	88
Topsham.....	John Willey.....	30
Tunbridge.....	Aaron N. King.....	53
Vershire.....	Thomas Pollard.....	96
Washington.....	William P. Downing.....	24
West Fairlee.....	Edwin S. Cook.....	90
Williamstown.....	None.....	

## ORLEANS COUNTY.

		MILES.
Albany.....	Timothy C. Miles.....	162
Barton.....	William W. Grout.....	153
Brownington.....	Samuel B. Jenkins.....	160
Charleston.....	Benjamin F. D. Carpenter.....	178
Coventry.....	Seth F. Cowles.....	163
Graftsbury.....	Charles Chamberlin.....	165
Derby.....	Ezra F. Darling.....	176
Glover.....	George Severance.....	155
Greensboro.....	Albert Worcester.....	166
Holland.....	Gardner C. Boynton.....	186
Wrasburgh.....	George B. Brewster.....	165
Jay.....	T. Abel Chase.....	185
Lowell.....	Harry B. Parker.....	187
Morgan.....	Josiah L. Hamblet.....	182
Newport.....	Lewis H. Bisbee.....	168
Salem.....	David N. Gibb.....	165
Troy.....	George W. Aiken.....	180
Westfield.....	Edson Farman.....	183
Westmore.....	William N. Silsby.....	160

## RUTLAND COUNTY.

Benson.....	Henry R. Jones.....	186
Brandon.....	Sumner Briggs.....	90
Castleton.....	Fayette Barney.....	123
Chittenden.....	Charles Hewett.....	119
Clarendon.....	William W. Walker.....	119
Danby.....	Isaac J. Nichols.....	133
Fairhaven.....	Horace G. Wood.....	137
Hubbardton.....	Ansel L. Hill.....	120
Ira.....	Leonard W. Day.....	117
Mendon.....	Ezra Edson.....	120
Middletown.....	Homer H. Southwick.....	140
Mount Holly.....	John P. Hoskison.....	130
Mount Tabor.....	Silas G. King.....	131
Pawlet.....	Jerome B. Bromley.....	143
Pittsfield.....	Charles W. Brigham.....	55
Pittsford.....	Daniel P. Peabody.....	102
Poultney.....	Barnes Frisbie.....	130
Rutland.....	Charles H. Joyce.....	110
Sherburne.....	John Johnson.....	120
Shrewsbury.....	None.....	
Sudbury.....	James K. Foster.....	100
Tinmouth.....	Lewis Cobb.....	124
Wallingford.....	Lyman Batcheller.....	119
Wells.....	Marcus D. Grover.....	140
West Haven.....	Rodney C. Abell.....	130

## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Barre.....	William E. Whitcomb.....	9
Berlin.....	Joseph W. Wheelock.....	1
Cabot.....	George W. Paine.....	23
Calais.....	Ira A. Morse.....	7

		MILES.
Duxbury.....	Jesse J. Ridley.....	16
East Montpelier.....	James A. Coburn.....	8
Fayston.....	George O. Boyce.....	22
Marshfield.....	George Wooster.....	18
Middlesex.....	Charles B. Holden.....	10
Montpelier.....	James R. Langdon.....	1
Moretown.....	Benjamin A. Holmes.....	18
Northfield.....	George B. Warner.....	10
Plainfield.....	Channing Hazeltine.....	10
Roxbury.....	Samuel G. Stanton.....	17
Waitsfield.....	Hiram Carleton.....	20
Warren.....	James Cardell.....	25
Waterbury.....	Frank E. Ormsby.....	16
Woodbury.....	Nathaniel C. McKnight.....	17
Worcester.....	Phineas A. Kemp.....	11

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

Athens.....	George N. Ober.....	123
Brattleboro.....	Jacob Estey.....	135
Brookline.....	Erastus Whitney.....	130
Dover.....	Joel Lyman.....	153
Dummerston.....	Stephen L. Dutton.....	139
Grafton.....	Francis Phelps.....	121
Guilford.....	Samuel S. Hunt.....	142
Halifax.....	Alpheus H. Stone.....	147
Jamaica.....	Joel Holton.....	161
Londonderry.....	Henry A. Walker.....	160
Marlboro.....	William W. Lynde.....	142
Newfane.....	Eugene P. Wheeler.....	143
Putney.....	Samuel E. Wheat.....	120
Rockingham.....	John B. Divoll.....	115
Somerset.....	Sumner Curtis.....	162
Stratton.....	Melvin A. Knowlton.....	150
Townsend.....	Henry Salisbury.....	131
Vernon.....	William Johnson.....	142
Wardsboro.....	Martin Leonard.....	148
Westminster.....	George A. Goodell.....	122
Whitingham.....	Lucius P. Mowry.....	158
Wilmington.....	Oscar E. Butterfield.....	155
Windham.....	Asahel Upham.....	140

## WINDSOR COUNTY.

Andover.....	Frederick A. Way.....	155
Baltimore.....	Albin L. Thompson.....	107
Barnard.....	John H. Gambell.....	48
Bethel.....	Augustus M. Marsh.....	40
Bridgewater.....	Alpheus B. Simons.....	77
Cavendish.....	Horatio S. Pierce.....	105
Chester.....	Merrick Wentworth.....	145
Hartford.....	Noah B. Spafford.....	60
Hartland.....	Oliver Smith.....	77
Ludlow.....	Rufus N. Hemenway.....	132
Norwich.....	Ebenezer B. Brown.....	76
Plymouth.....	Charles A. Scott.....	137

	MILES.
Pomfret .....	Joseph H. Pratt..... 66
Reading .....	William P. Chamberlain..... 89
Rochester .....	Charles Morgan..... 55
Royalton .....	William Goff..... 47
Sharon .....	James Parker..... 55
Springfield .....	James E. White..... 104
Stockbridge .....	Nelson Gay..... 50
Weathersfield .....	George Barrett..... 97
Weston .....	Joseph C. Fenn..... 159
West Windsor .....	Eugene H. Spaulding..... 88
Windsor .....	Jonathan B. Farnsworth..... 80
Woodstock .....	Lorenzo Richmond..... 71

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HOWARD CLARK, for Committee.

## REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE REFORM SCHOOL.

*To the House of Representatives now in session :*

Your Committee to visit the Reform School would respectfully report that on Friday, the 6th instant, they visited that institution and made a careful examination of the farm, buildings, school and its general management.

During the last year no new buildings have been erected, but many and valuable improvements in the house and grounds have been contemplated or are in process of completion; among these improvements we would mention the very cheap and convenient arrangement for conducting water to all the principal rooms in the house by means of pipes, and for supplying a large square tank with warm, fresh water in which the boys bathe and wash themselves every Saturday. The grounds have been graded and already begin to hint that artistic beauty will soon adorn the home of the unfortunate.

We found the institution a model of neatness, thrift and industry. Some of the boys were at work on the farm, some cleaning the kitchen and chambers, others making coats and pants, but the most of them were at work in the shop, bottoming chairs.

The farm, under the skilful management of Mr. Hatch, has yielded a more bountiful harvest than ever before; and we were pleased to learn that he and Mr. Fairbank both contemplated cultivating roots, strawberries and other crops that require more labor but less land, and in the cultivation of which the nimble fingers of boys can be turned to much profit. All fertilizers are very carefully saved, but we very much regret that when the barns were moved they were not placed so as to allow the construction of a manure cellar beneath, as they might have been with very little additional cost.

The boys number seventy-seven,—an increase of seventeen over last

year. They work six hours and study four, each day, with frequent intermissions for out door play and exercise. We found only one in the hospital, and as far as we could judge, they are carefully and tenderly cared for. They sleep in cots, one framed about three feet above the other, and only about two feet wide, which in our opinion is too narrow for warmth and comfort, and we would therefore suggest that some change be made in their sleeping accommodations.

In the shop, under the care of the very pleasant and active assistant superintendent, the work goes quietly and briskly on, so that the earnings are about twelve dollars per day. It can hardly be expected that such a school of boys can be made self-supporting; in fact, the object of the institution is not the improvement of our State finances, but of the physical and moral condition of the boys. Reared in ignorance, and collected by reason of their vices, they afford the roughest and crudest material for intellectual and moral training; yet their recitations evinced thorough culture and perfect mastery of the studies pursued.

For order, decorum and system, the school is an example worthy of the imitation of every district school in the State. Miss Burnham, the able and accomplished teacher, seems to appreciate the importance of her charge and strives to "magnify her office." How so much has been accomplished with seventy-seven scholars under her charge only four hours in the day, is truly wonderful. The Committee would suggest that seventy-seven scholars require to be graded into two departments, and placed under two accomplished instructors.

In the opinion of your Committee, the time has come when the State of Vermont should remove the band of probation from this reformatory and humane institution, and adopt it as one of her permanent and cherished agencies for correcting and redeeming her fallen children.

Compare the money invested at Windsor with the few thousand dollars invested at Waterbury. At Windsor there are seventy-five men who work all the time and receive no instruction, and they have cost the State in round numbers during the last year, six thousand three hundred dollars; while at Waterbury, there are seventy-seven boys, who receive four hours' instruction each day, and whose earnings must be much less, and they have cost the State during the last year only four thousand seven hundred dollars, with a fair prospect of a much smaller deficiency when the institution shall be well organized. Your Committee therefore do not hesitate to recommend that the shop and school-room be sufficiently enlarged to accommodate one hundred boys; that such additions be made to the house as will afford two or three spare rooms for the trustees and other visitors, and that a building be erected in the play-ground for the use of the boys when the weather is too inclement for exercise in the open air.

Your Committee were highly pleased with the easy and dignified bearing of Mrs. M. E. Fairbank. She seemed to be perfectly familiar with just such kitchen work as our mothers were accustomed to perform, and in our judgment she is in every way qualified to exercise a kind and motherly care over those who need most the restraining influence of a mother's tenderness and love.

Mr. Fairbank, the superintendent, seems to be in all respects the right man in the right place. With several years' experience in the Massachusetts Reform School, he comes among us a ripe scholar, an active, energetic young man, and a perfect master of the high vocation to which he seems so much devoted. His position calls into constant

exercise the highest and noblest gifts of man: great knowledge of human nature, with skill to touch its secret springs, and an undying faith in the power of precept and principle to reform and elevate the most depraved sons of ignorance and vice. Let us then co-operate with him in this great and good work, with our funds, our sympathies and our prayers.

GEO. A. MERRILL,  
GEO. N. DALE,  
ASA R. CAMP, } *Committee on the part  
of the Senate.*

P. K. GLEED,  
H. R. JONES,  
JOHN BIGELOW,  
ROYAL D. HEDDEN,  
F. E. ORMSBY, } *Committee on the part  
of the House.*

#### COMMUNICATION RELATIVE TO THE NATIONAL CEMETERIES AT ANTIETAM AND GETTYSBURGH.

STATE OF OHIO,

Executive Department, Columbus, June 9, 1869. }

SIR: In compliance with the provisions of an act passed by the General Assembly of Ohio, May 6, 1869, I have the honor to forward you a copy of the same for your information.

Very respectfully,

R. B. HAYES, *Governor.*

*To the Governor of Vermont.*

*An act providing for the ceding of the Antietam and Gettysburgh Cemeteries to the United States.*

WHEREAS, By an act of the thirty-ninth Congress of the United States, entitled an act to establish and protect national cemeteries, approved February twenty-second, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, Congress has adopted a uniform system for the management and care of all the Soldiers' National Cemeteries throughout the United States; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the board of commissioners having charge and care of the soldiers' national cemeteries at Antietam and Gettysburgh, are hereby authorized and empowered to transfer all the right, title, interest and care of said soldiers' national cemeteries, upon the completion of the same, to the Government of the United States, the State of Ohio hereby ceding and relinquishing to the United States all its title to the grounds and property of the said cemeteries vested in it in trust for the States which participated in the establishment of said national cemeteries. This cession being made upon the condition that the United

States Government take upon itself the management and care of the said cemeteries, and make provision for their maintenance.

SEC. 2. That the Governor of this State is hereby authorized and empowered to do all acts and execute all papers upon behalf of this State, necessary to consummate the cession, and to cause a copy of this act to be forwarded to the Governors of the several States who have appointed commissioners, and also to the board of commissioners having charge of the soldiers' national cemeteries at Antietam and Gettysburgh, and also to the President, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States.

SEC. 3. That it is recommended to the commissioners of the soldiers' national cemeteries, to apply the residuum funds in their hands to the erection of the proposed monuments to the soldier dead in said cemeteries, and if practicable, to increase the dimensions of said monuments.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

F. W. THORNHILL,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

PASSED May 6, 1869.

J. C. LEE,  
*President of the Senate.*

## PETITION OF THE TEHUANTEPEC RAILWAY COMPANY.

OFFICE OF THE TEHUANTEPEC RAILWAY COMPANY, }  
174 Chambers St., New York, Oct. 20, 1869. }

*To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Vermont in General Assembly met :*

The Petition of the Tehuantepec Railway Company respectfully represents that the incorporation of said Company was established by act of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, approved November 10, 1868; that said Company has found it convenient to increase the number of its Directors and to have the Vice President of the Company a member of the Board, and therefore asks your honorable bodies to enact a law to accomplish that end, a plan of which is most respectfully submitted herewith.

The Tehuantepec Railway Company will ever pray, &c., &c.

SIMON STEVENS, *President.*

P. A. HARGONS, *Secretary.*



**MEMORIAL OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN VERMONT, PRAYING FOR A MODIFICATION OF THE LAWS RELATING TO DIVORCE.**

*To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Vermont :*

The undersigned, Clergymen and Laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church and members of the Convention of the Diocese of Vermont, held at Rutland, on the 2d and 3d days of June, A.D. 1869, do herewith respectfully memorialize and petition the honorable Legislature of the State of Vermont, as follows :

In view (1st) of the alarming frequency and increase of libels of Divorce, sought for and granted in the State of Vermont during the past five years, as shown by the recent reports of the Registrar of the State ; by which the number of Divorces is to the number of marriages as *one to nineteen* ; and by which it appears that to every *thirty-eight* persons married during the last five years, *two* persons are concerned in a divorce ; and by which it appears that there has been granted at the rate of one divorce to every *two hundred and sixty-six* marriageable persons :

In view (2d) of the fact that the statute law lays down, on the one hand, before marriage, *only* a list of the forbidden degrees, the age which the parties must have reached, and the titles of those qualified to solemnize the marriage ; and on the other hand, after marriage provides full facilities for dissolving the tie upon various pleas allowing re-marriage in every case :

In view (3d) of the opportunity afforded by the Law of Divorce, and the practice under it, to *successive* polygamy ; by which a man may have a *succession* of wives, and a woman a *succession* of husbands, without limit of number, and all at the same time living in the community :

In view (4th) of the Christian Law laid down in the Holy Gospels,\* by which the tie of marriage is pronounced to be indissoluble except for one cause only ; and by which except for this cause, to put away a wife and marry another, or to put away a husband and marry another, or for a third party to marry the one put away, is distinctly condemned as a breach of the seventh commandment :

In view (5th) of the imminent danger which threatens the domestic morals of the community, whenever the sanctity of the family is invaded, and the durability of the marriage bond impaired ; danger that marriage be held in low esteem as an affair of convenience, no longer binding them ; the capricious will of either party may direct ; danger of moral evil, scandal, domestic strife, immodesty and debauchery ; danger that the springs of virtue in the people be poisoned, and that premature decay and corruption sap the foundations of the State :

In view, finally, of all these considerations, we respectfully pray your honorable body to take such measures as in your wisdom seemeth best : 1st, to reiterate the Law of Divorce upon such a basis as to distinguish

\* St. Mark x. 3-12 ; St. Luke xvi. 18 ; St. Matt. xix. 3-9 ; St. Matt. v. 31, 32.

between legal separation and absolute divorce, and to grant absolute divorce with liberty to marry again *only* in cases of well proved connubial infidelity; 2d, to increase the penalties for the crime of adultery; 3d, to invest the Law of Marriage with such precautions and protective formalities as to dignify and ennoble it in the sight of the people, without obstructing the marriage of any honest citizen whatever his station; and at the same time to protect the community, so far as practicable, against the misfortunes of ill-judged, hasty, clandestine, and criminal marriages; 4th, so to identify, by license or otherwise, the parties seeking marriage as to guard the rights of parents and to protect the officiating minister from imposition at the hands of designing persons, and from becoming unwittingly an instrument for solemnizing clandestine or criminal unions.

With a profound sense of the importance of this subject, and believing that in involves, through the family, the best and truest interests of the State, your petitioners respectfully commit the whole matter into your hands.

MALCOLM DOUGLASS, I. NEWTON FAIRBANKS, H. CANFIELD, GEORGE NICHOLS,	}	Committee.
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Rutland, June 3, 1869.

Upon presentation of the foregoing report the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Convention:

*Resolved*, That the report of the Committee on the Canon on Divorce now submitted, be accepted and adopted by this Convention, and that it be signed by the President and Secretary of the Convention in behalf of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, and presented together with their resolution to the Legislature at the next session by a Committee consisting of the Hon. R. Richardson, Hon. Harmon Canfield, and the Hon. Charles Dewey.

In behalf of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, and by order of the Convention, the undesigned have caused their signatures to be attached.

W. H. A. BISSELL,  
*President of the Convention.*

THOMAS H. CANFIELD, *Secretary.*

BURLINGTON, June 4, 1869.

This certifies that the foregoing Report and Resolution were unanimously adopted openly by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont holden at Trinity Church, Rutland, on the second and third days of June, 1869.

THOMAS H. CANFIELD,  
*Secretary of the Convention.*

BY HIS EXCELLENCY,  
PETER T. WASHBURN,  
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF VERMONT.

A PROCLAMATION.

It becometh the people of a Christian State, who acknowledge the Supreme Ruler of the Universe as the bountiful bestower of all gifts and the source of all blessings, to unite in reverently returning thanks to him for his kindness and preserving care in the past, and in craving with earnest supplication a continuance of his abundant providence for the future. For this, and in accordance with the usage of our fathers, I do appoint THURSDAY, THE EIGHTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER next, to be observed as a day of THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE TO ALMIGHTY GOD. And I do enjoin upon all the people of this State, that on that day, suspending their ordinary and secular employments, they do unite with each other, and with the people of the Nation, in the rendition of thanks and ascription of praise to HIM, who has bestowed upon us prosperity, peace and freedom throughout the land, for all his mercies.

*Given under my hand and the Seal of the State, in Executive Chamber at Montpelier, this twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-fourth.*

PETER T. WASHBURN.

By the Governor:

JOHN W. MARSH, *Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.*

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The "term" of Senators and Representatives means the term of service in both Houses. As to the officers "term" means the number of years served by each in such office.

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## JUDICIAL AND CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATES.

### UNITED STATES OFFICERS.

	Office.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
David A. Smalley, Burlington.....	District Judge.....	Middlebury, April 1, 1809.....	attorney.....	12
Benj. F. Fifield, Montpelier.....	District Attorney.....	Orange, Nov. 18, 1832.....	attorney.....	1
Hugh H. Henry, Chester.....	Marshal.....	Chester, Oct. 18, 1814.....	farmer.....	5
Bradley B. Smalley, Burlington.....	Clerk.....	Jericho, Nov. 26, 1836.....	clerk.....	9

### SUPREME COURT OF VERMONT.

John Pierpoint, Vergennes.....	Chief Justice.....	Litchfield, Ct., Sept. 10, 1806.....	attorney.....	13
James Barrett, Woodstock.....	Assistant Justice.....	Strafford, May 31, 1814.....	attorney.....	13
Asahel Peck, Montpelier.....	Assistant Justice.....	Montpelier.....	attorney.....	10
William C. Wilson, Bakersfield.....	Assistant Justice.....	Cambridge, July 23, 1812.....	attorney.....	5
Benjamin H. Steele, St. Johnsbury.....	Assistant Justice.....	Stantead, P. Q.....	attorney.....	5
John Prout, Rutland.....	Assistant Justice.....	Salisbury, Nov. 21, 1816.....	attorney.....	3
Wheelock G. Veazey, Rutland.....	Reporter.....	Brentwood, N. H., Dec. 6, 1833.....	attorney.....	6

### CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION.

Justin S. Morrill, Strafford.....	Senator.....	Strafford, April 12, 1810.....	farmer.....	1
George F. Edmunds, Burlington.....	Senator.....	Richmond, Feb. 1, 1828.....	attorney.....	2
Charles W. Willard, Montpelier.....	Representative.....	Lyndon, June 15, 1827.....	att'y & editor.....	1
Luke P. Poland, St. Johnsbury.....	Representative.....	Westford, Nov. 2, 1815.....	attorney.....	2
Worthington C. Smith, St. Albans.....	Representative.....	St. Albans, April 19, 1823.....	manufacturer.....	2

## CIVIL GOVERNMENT OF VERMONT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.	Office.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
PETER T. WASHBURN, Woodstock, Governor.		Lyme, Mass., Sept. 7, 1814.	attorney.	1
Abimael L. Miner, Jr., Manchester, Messenger.		Manchester, Feb. 2, 1854.	student.	1
GEORGE W. HENDEE, Morristown, Lieutenant Governor.		Stowe, Nov. 30, 1832.	attorney.	1
John W. Marsh, Springfield, Sec'y of Civil and Military Affairs.		Woodstock, Aug. 31, 1845.	attorney.	1
Henry C. Fisk, Peacham, Clerk.		Morristown, July 22, 1852.	student.	3
John A. Page, Montpelier, Treasurer.		Haverhill, H. H., June 17, 1814.	banker.	5
George W. Wing, Montpelier, Clerk.		Plainfield, Oct. 22, 1843.	attorney.	2
George Nichols, Northfield, Secretary of State.		Northfield, April 17, 1827.	physician.	5
George W. Wing, Montpelier, Deputy Secretary of State.		Plainfield, Oct. 22, 1843.	attorney.	3
Daniel G. Thompson, Montpelier, Assistant Secretary of State.		Montpelier, Feb. 9, 1850.	student.	7
Charles H. Lane, Cornwall, Clerk.		Cornwall, Jan. 14, 1853.	student.	3
Dugald Stewart, Middlebury, Auditor of Accounts.		Middlebury, Sept. 26, 1821.	county clerk.	6
Fred I. Pitkin, Montpelier, Messenger.		East Montpelier, February 25, 1855.	student.	2
Zebina C. Camp, Montpelier, Sergeant-at-Arms.		Tunbridge, Feb. 6, 1805.	civil engineer.	5
Luther Cross, Montpelier, First Clerk.		Swanzey, N. H., Oct. 7, 1802.	retired merch't.	3
Frederick C. Camp, Montpelier, Second Clerk.		Montpelier, Sept. 15, 1849.	student.	5
Charles C. Robinson, Montpelier, Messenger.		Reading, June 4, 1852.	student.	2
George W. Bartlett, Montpelier, Messenger.		Leominster, Mass., June 23, 1853.	student.	2
George Maloy, Middlesex, Messenger.				
Charles Reed, Montpelier, Librarian.		Theford, Nov. 24, 1814.	attorney.	10
Hiram A. Huse, Randolph, Assistant Librarian.		Randolph, Jan. 17, 1843.	attorney.	2
John V. Brooks, Montpelier, Assistant Librarian.		East Randolph, June 23, 1819.	student.	3
Bradford P. Sparrow, Calais, Messenger.		Calais, April 8, 1843.	student.	1
Albert D. Hager, Proctorsville, Curator of Cabinet.		Chester, Nov. 1, 1817.	geologist.	5
William Wells, Burlington, Adjutant and Inspector General.		Waterbury, Dec. 14, 1837.	merchant.	4
James S. Peck, Montpelier, Ass't Adjutant and Inspector General.		Montpelier, Dec. 1839.	attorney.	2
Perley P. Pitkin, Montpelier, Quarter Master General.		Marshfield, March 9, 1826.	manufacturer.	9
Fred I. Pitkin, Montpelier, Messenger.		East Montpelier, Feb. 25, 1855.	student.	2

Alvin C. Welch, Williston, Commissioner of Insane.....	Canaan, N. H., April 28, 1817.....	physician.....	2
Stephen F. Atwood, Monkton, Judge Advocate General.....	Monkton, April 26, 1826.....	farmer.....	4
Gates B. Bullard, St. Johnsbury, Surgeon General.....	Plainfield, N. H., Feb. 1, 1829.....	physician.....	5
James A. Pollard, Windsor, Superintendent of State Prison.....	Plymouth, Nov. 19, 1817.....	farmer.....	7
William Rounds, Chester, Railroad Commissioner.....	Chester, July 13, 1825.....	attorney.....	1
Martin C. Rice, Benson,			
John W. Hartshorn, Lunenburg,			
William R. Shedd, Newbury,			
Governor's Staff.			
Col. Kittredge Haskins, Brattleboro,			
Col. Elmer D. Keyes, Reading,			
Col. Henry S. Hard, Arlington,			
Col. Joel H. Lucia, Vergennes,			
Aides-de-Camp.			
Directors of State Prison.			

## THE SENATE.

Officers.		When and where born.		Occupation.	Term.
GEORGE W. HENDRE,	Morristown, President.....	Stowe, Nov. 30, 1832.....		attorney.....	1
HENRY CLARK,	Rutland, Secretary.....	Middletown, Feb. 18, 1823.....		editor.....	9
MASON B. CARPENTER,	Barre, Assistant Secretary.....	Orange, Oct. 7, 1845.....		law student.....	2
PERRIN B. FISK,	Peacham, Chaplain.....	Waitsfield, July 3, 1837.....		clergyman.....	1
EDWARD M. BROWN,	Montpelier, Reporter.....	Hardland, June 22, 1821.....		merchant.....	3
GEORGE B. SHAW,	Burlington, Reporter.....	Burlington, July 27, 1845.....		attorney.....	2
Counties.					
	Senators.	Address.	Rel. & Pol. preference.	When and where born.	Occupation. Term.
ADDISON...	William P. Nash, New Haven.....	cong.	r.....	New Haven, November 16, 1817.....	farmer..... 3
	Rollin J. Jones, Cornwall.....	bap.	r.....	West Cornwall, November 12, 1819.....	farmer..... 7
BENNINGTON.	Martin J. Love, Bennington.....	cong.	r.....	Bennington, March 22, 1821.....	physician..... 2
	Franklin H. Orvis, Manchester.....	cong.	r.....	Manchester, July 12, 1824.....	hotel keeper.. 1
CALEDONIA	Harley M. Hall, Burke.....	lib.	r.....	Burke, August 8, 1818.....	farmer..... 4
	Horace Fairbanks, St. Johnsbury.....	cong.	r.....	Barnet, March 21, 1820.....	manufacturer.. 1

Counties.	Senators.	Address.	Rel. & pol. preference.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
CHITTENDEN	Alfred B. Halbert.	Essex.	cong.	Essex, January 13, 1826.	farmer.	2
	Ezra B. Green, Richmond.	Essex.	cong.	Cheshire, Mass., November 8, 1805.	produce dealer	4
	George G. Benedict, Burlington.	Burlington.	cong.	Burlington, December 10, 1827.	editor.	1
ESSEX	George N. Dale, Island Pond.	Island Pond.	cong.	Fairfax, February 19, 1835.	attorney.	6
FRANKLIN	Wm. R. Hutchinson, Enosburgh.	Enosburgh.	cong.	North Hero, December 16, 1824.	physician.	4
	Robert J. Saxe, Sheldon.	Sheldon.	meth.	Berkshire, June 14, 1822.	farmer.	4
	Homer E. Royce, East Berkshire.	East Berkshire.	epis.	Sheldon, June 23, 1816.	attorney.	4
GRAND ISLE.	Jed. P. Ladd, Alburgh.	Alburgh.	lib.	North Hero, September 24, 1828.	attorney.	2
LAMOLLE.	Asa R. Camp, Stowe.	Stowe.	no pf.	Stowe, May 6, 1825.	merchant.	3
ORANGE	Roswell Farnham, Bradford.	Bradford.	cong.	Roseton, Mass., July 23, 1827.	attorney.	2
	Jas. Hutchinson, Jr., Braintree.	Braintree.	univ.	Randolph, January 1, 1826.	farmer.	2
ORLEANS	Wm. G. Elkins, Troy.	Troy.	cong.	Troy, September 27, 1826.	farmer.	4
	Jerry E. Dickerman, Derby.	Derby.	cong.	St. Johnsbury, January 15, 1830.	attorney.	3
RUTLAND	Merritt Clark, Poultney.	Poultney.	cong.	Middletown, February 11, 1803.	banker.	9
	George A. Merrill, Rutland.	Rutland.	cong.	Plymouth, N. H., November 5, 1820.	RR sup't	ndt. 3
	Lucius Copeland, Middletown.	Middletown.	cong.	Middletown, September 29, 1812.	farmer.	1
WASHINGTON	Charles H. Dewey, Montpelier.	Montpelier.	epis.	Montpelier, March 27, 1826.	insurance secy	3
	Charles H. Heath, Plainfield.	Plainfield.	univ.	Woodbury, November 4, 1829.	attorney.	2
	Jona. H. Hastings, Waitsfield.	Waitsfield.	no pf.	Waitsfield, February 12, 1824.	farmer.	1
WINDHAM	David Goodell, Brattleboro.	Brattleboro.	no pf.	Warwick, Mass., May 12, 1814.	farmer.	4
	Hoyt H. Wheeler, Jamaica.	Jamaica.	cong.	Chesterfield, N. H., August 30, 1833.	attorney.	3
WINDSOR	William Collamer, Woodstock.	Woodstock.	cong.	Royalton, April 2, 1824.	attorney.	1
	Albert G. Dewey, Hartford.	Hartford.	no pf.	Hartford, December 16, 1805.	manufacturer.	5
	Wm. Pingry, Weathersfield.	Weathersfield.	bap.	Salisbury, N. H., May 28, 1806.	attorney.	1
Officers.						
	Samuel Everts, Cornwall.	Cornwall.	Door-keeper.	Cornwall, May 5, 1807.	farmer.	2
	J. Edward Bosworth, Berlin.	Berlin.	Ass't Door-keeper.	Berlin, October 11, 1821.	farmer.	1
	William T. Dewey, Montpelier.	Montpelier.	Messenger.	Montpelier, September 30, 1852.	student.	3
	Edward S. Eastman, Montpelier.	Montpelier.	Messenger.	Montpelier, January 27, 1857.	student.	1

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Officers.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
George W. Grandey, Vergennes, Speaker.	Panton, Feb. 3, 1813.	attorney.	12
David M. Camp, Newport, Clerk.	Derby, Dec. 11, 1837.	editor.	1
Henry N. Newell, Shelburne, 1st Assistant Clerk.	Charlotte, June 18, 1843.	farmer.	2
Edwin T. White, Woodstock, 2d Assistant Clerk.	Woodstock, June 6, 1847.	law student.	1
Calvin J. B. Harris, Danville, 3d Assistant Clerk.	Danville, Feb. 2, 1844.	attorney.	1
A. C. Brown, Montpelier, Reporter.	Sutton, July 10, 1828.	insur. agent.	4
Charles F. Dodge, Montpelier, Assistant Reporter.	Barre, June 18, 1845.	salesman.	1
Richard Morgan, Northfield, Chaplain.	England, June 11, 1827.	clergyman.	1

## ADDISON COUNTY.

Towns.	Representatives.	Rel. & Pol. Pref.	When and where born	Occupation.	Term.
Addison, Cyrus W. Strong.	no pf.	r.	Addison, July 8, 1832.	farmer.	2
Bridport, John O. Hamilton.	no pf.	r.	Bridport, May 4, 1821.	farmer.	1
Bristol, Jonathan B. Dike.	cong.	r.	Milton, Aug. 24, 1808.	farmer.	1
Cornwall, Julius B. Benedict.	cap.	r.	Weybridge, Nov. 3, 1821.	farmer.	1
Ferrisburgh, James W. Barnes.	meth.	r.	Ferrisburgh, Feby 11, 1824.	farmer.	2
Goshen, Alfred H. Knapp.	meth.	r.	Goshen, June 5, 1829.	farmer.	1
Granville, Elias L. Jewett.	no pf.	r.	Pittsfield, Aug. 5, 1829.	farmer.	2
Hancock, Horatio N. Bull.	no pf.	r.	Granville, N. Y., Jan 1, 1806.	farmer.	1
Leicester, Stephen Alden.	liberal.	r.	Leicester, April 5, 1816.	farmer.	2
Lincoln, Howard Clark.	no pf.	r.	Bristol, Oct. 29, 1838.	butcher.	1
Middlebury, Calvin Hill.	cong.	r.	Starksboro, July 17, 1808.	r'dfmb'ans.	2
Monkton, Henry B. Williams.	no pf.	r.	Monkton, May 26, 1829.	farmer.	2
New Haven, Jabez W. Langdon.	meth.	r.	Verona, N. Y., Dec. 5, 1796.	far'r & cooper	2
Orwell, Chauncey H. Conkey.	prot.	r.	Orwell, Nov. 28, 1804.	farmer.	3
Panton, Andrew Jackson.	cap.	r.	Addison, May 15, 1822.	farmer.	2
Ripton, Henry B. Ripley.	no pf.	r.	Middlebury, Sept. 10, 1829.	farmer.	2
Salisbury, Royal B. Hedden.	no pf.	r.	Pawlet, Oct. 26, 1820.	farmer.	2
Shoreham, Julius N. North.	cong.	r.	Shoreham, Aug. 17, 1829.	farmer.	1



Towns.	Representatives.	Rel. & pol. preference.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
Starksboro, Edwin W. Washburn.	no pf.	r.	New Haven, Jan'y 1, 1830.	farmer.	2
Vergennes, George W. Grandey.	bap.	r.	Panton, Feby 3, 1818.	attorney.	12
Waltham, Harry Everts.	no pf.	r.	Waltham, April 2, 1814.	farmer.	1
Weybridge, Loyal Huntington.	meth.	r.	Lenox, N. Y., Nov. 27 1822.	farmer.	2
Whiting, A. H. Hubbard.	bap.	r.	Whiting, Aug. 8, 1833.	farmer.	1
BENNINGTON COUNTY.					
Arlington, Harmon Canfield.	epis.	r.	Arlington, July 30, 1810.	farmer.	5
Bennington, George Benton.	meth.	r.	Catskill, N. Y., Sept. 12, 1807.	paper man	r 1
Dorset, Wm. H. Bebee.	univ.	d.	Manchester, July 22, 1822.	farmer.	1
Glastenbury, George Eddy.	no pf.	r.	Woodford, March 18, 1821.	lumberman.	3
Landgrove, Ephriam Moore.	cong.	r.	Plymouth, July 29, 1799.	farmer.	2
Manchester, Mason L. Colburn.	no pf.	r.	Castleton, June 30, 1837.	leather manf.	1
Perru, Joseph P. Long.	meth.	r.	Londonderry, Feby 23, 1815.	farmer.	2
Pownal, Pliny Wright.	bap.	r.	Pownal, Jan'y 27, 1844.	farmer.	1
Readsboro, A. Harvey Tucker.					
Rupert, John Farrar.	cong.	r.	Rupert, Dec. 6, 1807.	farmer.	1
Sandgate, Elisha B. Hurd.	meth.	r.	Sandgate, Aug. 7, 1842.	mechanic.	1
Searsburgh, (not represented.)					
Shaftsbury, Milo Pierce.	no pf.	r.	Shaftsbury, July 22, 1830.	mechanic.	1
Stamford, James M. Peak.	no pf.	d.	Stamford, April 22, 1838.	lumberman.	1
Sunderland, Paul Shuffleton.	meth.	r.	England, Oct. 14, 1829.	supt man. co	6
Winhall, Austin P. Graham.	univ.	r.	Hartford, co., Ct., March 7, 1823.	manufacturer	1
Woodford, Amos Aldrich.	univ.	d.	Clarksburg, Mass., June 26, 1829.	lumberman.	3
CALEDONIA COUNTY.					
Barnet, Isaac M. Smith.	univ.	r.	Lyman, N. H., May 1, 1830.	farmer.	2
Burke, Julius A. Humphrey.	meth.	r.	Burke, Nov. 3, 1830.	farmer.	2
Danville, Abiah C. Palmer.	univ.	d.	Danville, Oct. 22, 1816.	farmer.	3
Groton, Almon L. Clark.	no pf.	d.	Groton, June 11, 1820.	millr.	1

Hardwick, Joseph Underwood.....	cong.....	r.....	Bradford, Oct. 22, 1796.....	clergyman....	3
Kirby, Joseph Nickerson.....	cong.....	r.....	Somerset, May 31, 1812.....	farmer.....	1
Lyndon, Jonas N. Bartlett.....	cong.....	r.....	Brookfield, Mass., July 8, 1809.....	silver plater..	4
Newark, M. W. Stoddard.....	univ.....	r.....	Newark, Feby 28, 1823.....	far'r&l'm d'al	1
Peacham, Orman P. Hooker.....	cong.....	r.....	Peacham, Oct. 19, 1808.....	farmer.....	1
Ryegate, John Bigelow.....	ceng.....	r.....	Ryegate, Dec. 28, 1803.....	farmer.....	2
Sheffield, Isaac K. Kenaston.....	meth.....	r.....	Sheffield, June 14, 1835.....	farmer.....	1
Stannard, Harry N. Kingsbury.....	bap.....	r.....	Middlesex, May 23, 1830.....	farmer.....	1
St. Johnsbury, Emerson Hall.....	epis.....	r.....	Cabot, Jan'y 9, 1816.....	merchant....	2
Sutton, Nahum K. Campbell.....	bap.....	r.....	Sutton, March 2, 1825.....	drov'r&farm	1
Walden, Samuel Harrington.....	no pf.....	r.....	Harford, July 1, 1836.....	butcher.....	2
Waterford, Abraham R. Ross.....	cong.....	r.....	Waterford, Nov. 11, 1813.....	farmer.....	2
Wheelock, George Giffin Jr.....	cong.....	r.....	Hardwick, Feby 21, 1824.....	farmer.....	2

## CHITTENDEN COUNTY.

Bolton, Saul Bishop.....	cong.....	d.....	Richmond, Sept. 3, 1809.....	farmer.....	2
Burlington, Torrey E. Wales.....	cong.....	r.....	Westford, June 20, 1820.....	attorney.....	2
Charlotte, Alanson Edgerton.....	no pf.....	r.....	Wallingford, Dec. 3, 1813.....	bridgebuilder	1
Colchester, Alonzo J. Stevens.....	cong.....	r.....	Essex, April 1, 1828.....	mechanic....	1
Essex, Asa Brigham.....	meth.....	r.....	Essex, April 4, 1809.....	farmer.....	1
Hinesburgh, Frederick H. Baldwin.....	bap.....	r.....	Hinesburgh, Feby 17, 1831.....	merchant....	2
Huntington, Philemon Remington.....	no pf.....	r.....	Huntington, Jan'y 30, 1814.....	farmer.....	2
Jericho, (not represented).....					
Milton, Charles I. Ladd.....	cong.....	r.....	Milton, Dec. 12, 1819.....	merchant....	2
Richmond, John L. Mason.....	cong.....	r.....	Cheshire, Mass., June 16, 1821.....	pro. dealer..	2
Shelburne, Walter A. Weed.....	cong.....	r.....	Hinesburgh, Sept. 15, 1833.....	hotel keeper..	2
South Burlington, Thaddens F. Stuart.....	meth.....	d.....	Burlington, Nov. 6, 1818.....	clergyman....	1
St. George, John V. S. Isham.....	no pf.....	r.....	St. George, July 1, 1826.....	farm&mech'n	2
Underhill, Patrick Barrett.....	cath.....	d.....	Fletcher, March 22, 1830.....	farmer.....	1
Westford, Jotham S. Rich.....	cong.....	r.....	Westford, July 8, 1822.....	farmer.....	2
Williston, Jason Clark.....	meth.....	r.....	Royalton, Oct. 27, 1828.....	farmer.....	2

## ESSEX COUNTY.

Towns.	Representatives.	Rel. & pol. preference.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
Bloomfield,	Gardner Merrill.	meth.	Compton, N. H., Nov. 2, 1806.	farmer.	2
Brighton,	Joseph Andrew.	bap.	Concord, June 1, 1834.	engineer.	2
Brunswick,	Andrew J. Taylor.	unit.	Maidstone, May 20, 1829.	farmer.	1
Canaan,	George W. Huntoon.	no pf.	Betheldem, N. H., April 16, 1835.	farmer.	2
Concord,	Charles Chase.	univ.	Concord, Nov. 19, 1819.	boot & shoe d	1
East Haven,	Abraham S. Howard.	bap.	Ludlow, May 20, 1814.	farmer.	2
Granby,	Marcus L. Reed.	univ.	Kirby, Feby 5, 1839.	farmer.	1
Guildhall,	Ezra S. Freeman.	cong.	Guildhall, March 28, 1825.	farmer.	2
Lemington,	Rollin W. Holbrook.	no pf.	Lemington, Dec. 4, 1828.	farmer.	2
Lunenburg,	Luther A. Nichols.	meth.	Concord, Sept. 17, 1816.	farmer.	1
Maidstone,	(not represented)				
Victory,	Willard H. Kneeland.	no pf.	Waterbury, April 27, 1805.	far & lum deal	3

## FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Bakersfield,	J. F. Brigham.	no pf.	Bakersfield, Oct. 25, 1802.	tanner.	2
Berkshire,	Geo. S. Goodrich.	meth.	Swanton, Nov. 13, 1822.	physician.	2
Enosburgh,	Caleb R. Brewer.	epis.	Berkshire, May 12, 1813.	farmer.	3
Fairfax,	George A. Ballard.	meth.	Georgia, Oct. 21, 1839.	attorney.	1
Fairfield,	J. M. Soule.	univ.	Fairfield, June 10, 1817.	farmer.	1
Fletcher,	John Kinsley.	meth.	Cambridge, April 10, 1810.	farmer.	2
Franklin,	James D. Brown*.	meth.	Fairfield, March 9, 1823.	farmer.	2
Georgia,	Joseph Purmort.	bap.	Georgia, July 21, 1815.	farmer.	2
Hingham,	Oscar S. Rixford.	univ.	Winchester, N. H., March 2, 1828.	manf & farm	4
Montgomery,	Heman Hopkins, Jr.	cong.	Montgomery, June 15, 1832.	farmer.	1
Richford,	W. C. Brown.	meth.	Richford, May 26, 1825.	farmer.	1
Sheldon,	Wm. M. Deming.	cong.	Sheldon, March 28, 1833.	farmer.	2
St. Albans,	George G. Hunt.	epis.	Fairfax, Aug. 9, 1824.	R R paym'ter	2
Swanton,	Henry A. Burt.	epis.	Sheldon, Feby 10, 1828.	attorney.	5

\* Deceased October 17, 1869.

## GRAND ISLE COUNTY.

Alburgh, Edward J. Reynolds.....	meth.....r.....Alburgh, Dec. 21, 1821.....	farmer.....	2
Grand Isle, Stephen F. Gordon.....	unit.....r.....Grand Isle, Jan. 25, 1832.....	farmer.....	2
Ile La Motte, Henry H. Goodsell.....	meth.....cons.....Ile La Motte, June 10, 1840.....	farmer.....	1
North Hero, Fred Parks.....	univ.....d.....North Hero, April 19, 1828.....	merch'nt&far	2
South Hero, George B. Keeler.....	no pf.....r.....Danbury, Ct., Sept. 7, 1840.....	merchant.....	2

## LAMOILLE COUNTY.

Belvidere, Luther H. Hurlburt.....	meth.....d.....Enosburgh, Jan. 1, 1832.....	merchant.....	1
Cambridge, Farwell Wetherby.....	cong.....r.....Chesterfield, N. H., Oct. 26, 1805.....	mill & br bld	2
Eden, Edwin C. White.....	no pf.....r.....Eden, Jan. 11, 1833.....	mechanic.....	1
Elmore, David Cook.....	meth.....r.....Barre, Jan. 3, 1799.....	farmer.....	1
Hydepark, Carroll S. Page.....	epis.....r.....Westfield, Jan. 10, 1843.....	merchant.....	1
Johnson, Isaac A. Manning.....	bap.....r.....New Boston, N. H., Jan. 24, 1819.....	farmer.....	1
Morristown, Philip K. Glead.....	cong.....r.....Granby, P. Q., Sept. 10, 1835.....	attorney.....	2
Stowe, Vernon M. Smith.....	meth.....r.....Stowe, Sept. 15, 1841.....	farmer.....	1
Waterville, Lyman W. Holmes.....	univ.....r.....Wentworth, N. H., Jan. 10, 1810.....	mill.....	2
Wolcott, George P. Foster.....	cong.....r.....Walden, Oct. 3, 1836.....	manufacturer	2

## ORANGE COUNTY.

Bradford, Asa M. Dickey.....	meth.....d.....Orange, March 10, 1821.....	attorney.....	1
Braintree, Wm. C. Holman.....	no pf.....r.....Braintree, July 29, 1825.....	farmer.....	2
Brookfield, Andrew S. Allis.....	cong.....r.....Brookfield, Sept. 1, 1821.....	farmer.....	2
Chelsea, Lyman G. Hinckley.....	bap.....r.....Thetford, April 13, 1832.....	county clerk.	4
Corinth, Frederick P. Eaton.....	d.....Corinth, Oct. 18, 1822.....	farmer.....	1
Fairlee, David C. Abbott.....	no pf.....r.....Thetford, Oct. 25, 1834.....	manufacturer	2
Newbury, John Bailey, Jr.....	meth.....r.....Newbury, Jan. 30, 1822.....	farmer.....	1
Orange, Lyman Jackson.....	bap.....r.....Orange, Oct. 14, 1810.....	farmer.....	2
Randolph, Nathan S. Clark.....	meth.....r.....Thetford, May 25, 1824.....	farmer.....	1

Towns.	Representatives.	Rel. & pol. preference.	When and where born.	Occupation.	Term.
Strafford,	Chester B. Dow.	univ.	Strafford, Feb. 12, 1825.	farmer.	4
Thetford,	Harry H. Niles.	cong.	West Fairlee, Oct. 1, 1807.	physician.	4
Topsham,	John Willey.	cong.	Sheffield, Sept. 26, 1813.	farmer.	2
Tunbridge,	Aaron N. King.	bap.	Randolph, July 1, 1820.	merchant.	2
Vershire,	Thos. Pollard.	meth.	Vershire, June 15, 1815.	mining eng'r	1
Washington,	Wm. P. Downing.	univ.	Barre, Sept. 12, 1814.	merchant.	2
West Fairlee,	Edwin S. Cook.	cong.	Topsham, Oct. 5, 1837.	stage pr'p'r	1
Williamstown,	(not represented.)				

## ORLEANS COUNTY.

Albany,	Timothy C. Miles.	meth.	Danville, Dec. 15, 1809.	farmer.	2
Barton,	Wm. W. Grout.	liberal	Compton, P. Q., May 24, 1836.	attorney.	2
Brownington,	S. R. Jenkins.	meth.	Bradford, Feb. 22, 1823.	farmer.	1
Charleston,	Benj. F. D. Carpenter.	no pf.	Danville, June 12, 1838.	attorney.	2
Coventry,	Seth, F. Cowles.	cong.	Marshfield, Jan. 10, 1805.	jeweller.	2
Craftsbury,	Chas. Chamberlin.	meth.	Craftsbury, March 10, 1827.	farmer.	1
Derby,	Ezra F. Darling.	bap.	Wheelock, March 12, 1822.	farmer.	2
Glover,	George Severance.	univ.	Lempster, N. H., Feb. 12, 1820.	clergyman.	2
Greensboro,	Albert Worcester.	cong.	Warren, Sept. 11, 1832.	clerk.	2
Holland,	Gardner C. Boynton.	no pf.	Derby, Jan. 26, 1825.	farmer.	2
Irasburgh,	George B. Brewster.	univ.	St. George, Aug. 4, 1832.	farmer.	1
Jay,	T. Abel Chase.	meth.	Fletcher, Oct. 19, 1832.	merchant.	1
Lowell,	Harry B. Parker.	cong.	Lowell, April 17, 1836.	farmer.	1
Morgan,	J. L. Hamblet.	cong.	Morgan, Aug. 22, 1828.	farmer.	2
Newport,	Lewis H. Bisbee.	cong.	Derby, March 28, 1839.	attorney.	1
Salem,	David N. Gibb.	meth.	Danville, May 24, 1806.	farmer.	3
Troy,	George W. Aiken.	univ.	Wentworth, N. H., Feb. 14, 1831.	merchant.	1
Westfield,	Edson Farman.	univ.	Bath, N. H., May 27, 1808.	farmer.	1
Westmore,	William H. Silsby.	no pf.	Whitehall, N. H., Sept. 21, 1836.	farmer.	1

## RUTLAND COUNTY.

Benson, Henry R. Jones.....	cong.....	r.....	Shoreham, Dec. 11, 1824.....	physician.....	2
Branden, Sumner Briggs.....	cap.....	r.....	Middleboro, Mass., Aug. 22, 1809.....	manufacturer.....	4
Castleton, Fayette Barney.....	cong.....	r.....	Castleton, Sept. 10, 1817.....	far & mechan.....	2
Chittenden, Charles Hewett.....	meth.....	r.....	Chittenden, Dec. 27, 1799.....	farmer.....	2
Clarendon, Wm. W. Walker.....	univ.....	r.....	Clarendon, Aug. 27, 1839.....	farmer.....	2
Danby, Isaac J. Nichols.....	no pf.....	r.....	Danby, May 1, 1831.....	farmer.....	1
Fairhaven, Horace G. Wood.....	cap.....	r.....	Hartland, July 9, 1831.....	attorney.....	3
Hubbardton, Ansel L. Hill.....	cong.....	r.....	Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 16, 1835.....	farmer.....	2
Ira, Leonard W. Day.....	univ.....	r.....	Pittsfield, Mich., Dec. 10, 1830.....	farmer.....	1
Mendon, Ezra Edson.....	cap.....	r.....	Maine, Jan. 12, 1813.....	blacksmith.....	3
Middletown, Homer H. Southwick.....	cap.....	r.....	Danby, June 13, 1831.....	mechanic.....	2
Mt. Holly, John P. Hoskison.....	no pf.....	r.....	Weathersfield, April 15, 1834.....	man & lum de.....	2
Mt. Tabor, Silas G. King.....	cong.....	r.....	Danby, Jan. 11, 1829.....	carp & joiner.....	1
Pawlet, Jerome B. Bromley.....	meth.....	r.....	Pawlet, May 4, 1828.....	attorney.....	1
Pittsfield, Charles W. Brigham.....	meth.....	r.....	Barnard, May 17, 1831.....	physician.....	2
Poultney, Barnes Frisbie.....	cong.....	r.....	Chester, Aug. 17, 1832.....	merchant.....	2
Rutland, Charles H. Joyce.....	epis.....	r.....	Middletown, Jan. 23, 1816.....	attorney.....	5
Sherburne, John Johnson.....	no pf.....	r.....	England, Jan. 20, 1833.....	attorney.....	1
Shrewsbury, (not represented.).....	cong.....	r.....	Chester, July 24, 1812.....	farmer.....	2
Sudbury, James K. Foster.....	cong.....	d.....	Sudbury, Oct. 5, 1823.....	farmer.....	1
Tinmouth, Lewis Cobb.....	no pf.....	r.....	Tinmouth, Nov. 29, 1822.....	farmer.....	2
Wallingford, Lyman Batcheller.....	cong.....	r.....	Arlington, Oct. 20, 1824.....	manufacturer.....	2
Wells, Marcus D. Grover.....	meth.....	r.....	Wells, June 18, 1841.....	attorney.....	4
West Haven, Rodney C. Abell.....	no pf.....	r.....	Benson, Oct. 17, 1831.....	farmer.....	4

## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Barre, William E. Whitcomb.....	no pf.....	r.....	Orange, Nov. 4, 1826.....	mill & sawdr.....	1
Berlin, Joseph W. Wheelock.....	cong.....	r.....	Eden, Jan. 24, 1825.....	printer.....	2



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Cabot, George W. Paine.	univ.	d.	Barre, July 7, 1808.	farmer.	1
Calais, Ira A. Morse.	univ.	r.	Norfield, June 8, 1813.	farmer.	2
Duxbury, Jesse J. Ridley.	no pf.	d.	Duxbury, Oct. 9, 1839.	lumberman.	1
East Montpelier, James A. Coburn.	univ.	r.	East Montpelier, April 6, 1828.	farmer.	1
Fayston, George O. Boyce.	meth.	r.	Fayston, Aug. 15, 1834.	farmer.	4
Marshfield, George Wooster.	univ.	d.	Walden, Oct. 8, 1825.	merchant.	1
Middlesex, Charles B. Holden.	no pf.	r.	Middlesex, April 21, 1838.	farmer.	2
Montpelier, James R. Langdon.	cong.	r.	Montpelier, Oct. 3, 1813.	r'd fr bus'ness	2
Moretown, Benj. A. Holmes.	univ.	r.	Stowe, April 6, 1833.	blacksmith.	1
Northfield, George B. Warner.	univ.	r.	Barnard, Feb. 18, 1825.	roadmaster.	2
Plainfield, Channing Hazeltine.	univ.	d.	Strafford, Oct. 9, 1845.	farmer.	1
Roxbury, Samuel G. Stanton.	univ.	r.	Dover, N. H., July 24, 1824.	farmer.	3
Waitfield, Hiram Carleton.	cong.	r.	Barre, Aug. 28, 1838.	attorney.	1
Warren, James Cardell.	cong.	r.	Warren, Nov. 19, 1818.	merchant.	1
Waterbury, Frank E. Ormsby.	no pf.	r.	Bolton, Mass., May 22, 1825.	farmer.	1
Woodbury, Nath'l C. McKnight.	no pf.	r.	Calais, Sept. 25, 1830.	farmer.	1
Worcester, Phineas A. Kemp.	meth.	r.	Acworth, N. H., Dec. 18, 1815.	farmer.	2

## WINDHAM COUNTY.

Athens, George N. Ober.	bap.	r.	Rockingham, May 2, 1826.	farmer.	2
Brattleboro, Jacob Estey.	bap.	r.	Hinsdale, N. H., Sept. 30, 1814.	manufacturer	2
Brookline, Erasmus Whitney.	univ.	r.	Brookline, Dec. 6, 1815.	farmer.	1
Dover, Joel Lyman.	no pf.	r.	Dover, Jan. 22, 1811.	carp & joiner	2
Dummerston, Stephen D. Dutton.	no pf.	r.	Dummerston, June 8, 1827.	farmer.	1
Grafton, Francis Phelps.	bap.	r.	Grafton, Jan. 22, 1817.	hotel & liv kpr	1
Guilford, Samuel S. Hunt.	no pf.	r.	Oakham, Mass., May 28, 1810.	farmer.	5
Halifax, Alpheus H. Stone.	epis.	r.	Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 2, 1813.	farmer.	3
Jamaica, Joel Holton.	bap.	r.	Dummerston, May 14, 1803.	physician.	2
Londonderry, Henry A. Walker.	no pf.	r.	Windham, April 16, 1837.	farmer.	1
Marlboro, Wm. W. Lynde.	cong.	r.	Guilford, Feb. 13, 1829.	merchant.	5

Newfane, Eugene P. Wheeler.....	univ.....	r.....	Newfane, March 25, 1831.....	far & builder	1
Putney, Samuel E. Wheat.....	univ.....	r.....	Westminster, Sept. 29, 1815.....	farmer.....	1
Rockingham, Josiah B. Divoll.....	univ.....	r.....	Rockingham, Nov. 26, 1832.....	merchant.....	2
Somerset, Sumner Curtis.....	meth.....	r.....	Orange, Mass., Sept. 14, 1809.....	farmer.....	3
Stratton, Melvin A. Knowlton.....	bap.....	r.....	Wardsboro, Aug. 9, 1818.....	farmer.....	5
Townsend, Henry Salisbury.....	cong.....	r.....	Townsend, July 6, 1829.....	painter.....	2
Vernon, William Johnson.....	meth.....	r.....	Vernon, Feb. 21, 1801.....	farmer.....	4
Warisboro, Martin Leonard.....	bap.....	r.....	Dover, Oct. 28, 1818.....	farmer.....	1
Westminster, G. A. Goodell.....	cong.....	r.....	Westminster, Jan. 20, 1832.....	farmer.....	1
Whirlingham, Lucius P. Mowry.....	meth.....	r.....	Guilford, Oct. 12, 1805.....	farmer.....	1
Wilmington, Oscar E. Butterfield.....	meth.....	r.....	Wilmington, Sept. 17, 1839.....	attorney.....	2
Windham, Asabel Upham.....	cong.....	r.....	Windham, Feb. 19, 1834.....	farmer.....	1

## WINDSOR COUNTY.

Andover, Fredereck A. Way.....	no pf.....	r.....	Lempster, N. H., April 20, 1820.....	farmer.....	2
Baltimore, Albin L. Thompson.....	no pf.....	r.....	Chester, July 6, 1844.....	farmer.....	2
Barnard, John H. Gambell.....	cong.....	r.....	Barnard, Dec. 15, 1830.....	farmer.....	1
Bethel, Albert M. Marsh.....	univ.....	r.....	Bethel, Jan. 30, 1820.....	farmer.....	1
Bridgewater, Alpheus B. Simons.....	epis.....	d.....	Bridgewater, Sept. 23, 1817.....	farmer.....	1
Cavendish, Horatio S. Pierce.....	meth.....	r.....	Londonberry, Aug. 6, 1831.....	merchant.....	1
Chester, Merrick Wentworth.....	epis.....	r.....	Alstead, N. H., Sept. 20, 1799.....	r'd fr b'sin'ss	2
Hartford, Noah B. Safford.....	epis.....	r.....	Springfield, Jan. 1, 1819.....	farmer.....	1
Hartland, Oliver Smith.....	univ.....	r.....	Woodstock, Dec. 24, 1812.....	merchant.....	2
Ludlow, Rufus N. Hemenway.....	univ.....	r.....	Ludlow, Aug. 19, 1823.....	manufacturer	2
Norwich, Ebenezer B. Brown.....	cong.....	r.....	Norwich, Nov. 15, 1806.....	farmer.....	3
Plymouth, Charles A. Scott.....	cong.....	r.....	Cavendish, Jan. 6, 1819.....	physician.....	1
Pomfret, Joseph H. Pratt.....	cong.....	r.....	Northampton, Mass, Feb. 15, 1820.....	farmer.....	3
Reading, William P. Chamberlain.....	bapt.....	r.....	Swanzey, N. H., June 2, 1833.....	merchant.....	1
Rochester, Charles Morgan.....	cong.....	r.....	Bethel, July 30, 1818.....	gen'l dealer.....	1
Royalton, William Goff.....	meth.....	r.....	Royalton, May 23, 1818.....	merchant.....	2



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Calais, Ira A. Morse.	univ.	r.	Norfield, June 8, 1813.	farmer.	2
Duxbury, Jesse J. Ridley.	no pf.	d.	Duxbury, Oct. 9, 1839.	lumberman.	1
East Montpelier, James A. Coburn.	univ.	r.	East Montpelier, April 6, 1828.	farmer.	1
Fayston, George O. Boyce.	meth.	r.	Fayston, Aug. 15, 1834.	farmer.	4
Marshfield, George Wooster.	univ.	d.	Walden, Oct. 8, 1825.	merchant.	1
Middlesex, Charles B. Holden.	no pf.	r.	Middlesex, April 21, 1838.	farmer.	2
Montpelier, James R. Langdon.	cong.	r.	Montpelier, Oct. 3, 1813.	r'd fr busi'ess	2
Moretown, Benj. A. Holmes.	univ.	r.	Stowe, April 6, 1833.	blacksmith.	1
Northfield, George B. Warner.	univ.	r.	Barnard, Feb. 18, 1825.	roadmaster.	2
Plainfield, Chaoning Hazeltine.	univ.	d.	Strafford, Oct. 9, 1845.	farmer.	1
Roxbury, Samuel G. Stanton.	univ.	r.	Dover, N. H., July 24, 1824.	farmer.	3
Waitsfield, Hiram Carleton.	cong.	r.	Barre, Aug. 28, 1838.	attorney.	1
Warren, James Cardell.	cong.	r.	Warren, Nov. 19, 1818.	merchant.	1
Waterbury, Frank E. Ormsby.	no pf.	r.	Bolton, Mass., May 22, 1825.	farmer.	1
Woodbury, Nath'l C. McKnight.	no pf.	r.	Calais, Sept. 25, 1830.	farmer.	1
Worcester, Phineas A. Kemp.	meth.	r.	Acworth, N. H., Dec. 18, 1815.	farmer.	2

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Athens, George N. Ober.	bap.	r.	Rockingham, May 2, 1826.	farmer.	2
Brattleboro, Jacob Estey.	bap.	r.	Hinsdale, N. H., Sept. 30, 1814.	manufacturer	2
Brookline, Erastus Whitney.	univ.	r.	Brookline, Dec. 6, 1815.	farmer.	1
Dover, Joel Lyman.	no pf.	r.	Dover, Jan. 22, 1811.	carp & joiner	2
Dummerston, Stephen D. Dutton.	no pf.	r.	Dummerston, June 8, 1827.	farmer.	1
Grafton, Francis Phelps.	bap.	r.	Grafton, Jan. 22, 1817.	hotel & iv kpr	1
Guilford, Samuel S. Hunt.	no pf.	r.	Oakham, Mass., May 28, 1810.	farmer.	5
Halifax, Alpheus H. Stone.	epis.	r.	Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 2, 1813.	farmer.	3
Jamaica, Joel Holton.	bap.	r.	Dummerston, May 14, 1803.	physician.	2
Londonderry, Henry A. Walker.	no pf.	r.	Windham, April 16, 1837.	farmer.	1
Marlboro, Wm. W. Lynde.	cong.	r.	Guilford, Feb. 13, 1829.	merchant.	5

Newfane, Eugene P. Wheeler.	univ.	.....	r.	.....	Newfane, March 25, 1831.	.....	far & builder	1
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Rockingham, Josiah B. Divoll.	univ.	.....	r.	.....	Rockingham, Nov. 26, 1832.	.....	merchant.	2
Somerset, Sumner Curtis.	meth.	.....	r.	.....	Orange, Mass., Sept. 14, 1809.	.....	farmer.	3
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Townsend, Henry Salisbury.	cong.	.....	r.	.....	Townsend, July 6, 1829.	.....	painter.	2
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Whitingham, Lucius P. Mowry.	meth.	.....	r.	.....	Guilford, Oct. 12, 1805.	.....	farmer.	1
Wilmington, Oscar E. Butterfield.	meth.	.....	r.	.....	Wilmington, Sept. 17, 1839.	.....	attorney.	2
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Andover, Fredereck A. Way.	no pf.	.....	r.	.....	Lempster, N. H., April 20, 1820.	.....	farmer.	2
Baltimore, Albin L. Thompson.	no pf.	.....	r.	.....	Chester, July 6, 1844.	.....	farmer.	2
Barnard, John H. Gambell.	cong.	.....	r.	.....	Barnard, Dec. 15, 1830.	.....	farmer.	1
Bethel, Albert M. Marsh.	univ.	.....	r.	.....	Bethel, Jan. 30, 1820.	.....	farmer.	1
Bridgewater, Alphaeus B. Simons.	epis.	.....	d.	.....	Bridgewater, Sept. 23, 1817.	.....	farmer.	1
Cavendish, Horatio S. Pierce.	meth.	.....	r.	.....	Londonberry, Aug. 6, 1831.	.....	merchant.	1
Chester, Merrick Wentworth.	epis.	.....	r.	.....	Alstead, N. H., Sept. 20, 1799.	.....	r'd fr b'sin as	1
Hartford, Noah B. Safford.	epis.	.....	r.	.....	Springfield, Jan. 1, 1819.	.....	farmer.	1
Harland, Oliver Smith.	univ.	.....	r.	.....	Woodstock, Dec. 24, 1812.	.....	merchant.	2
Ludlow, Rufus N. Hemenway.	univ.	.....	r.	.....	Ludlow, Aug. 19, 1823.	.....	manufacturer.	2
Norwich, Ebenezer B. Brown.	cong.	.....	r.	.....	Norwich, Nov. 15, 1806.	.....	farmer.	3
Plymouth, Charles A. Scott.	cong.	.....	r.	.....	Cavendish, Jan. 6, 1819.	.....	physician.	1
Pomfret, Joseph H. Pratt.	cong.	.....	r.	.....	Northampton, Mass., Feb. 15, 1820.	.....	farmer.	3
Reading, William P. Chamberlain.	bapt.	.....	r.	.....	Swansey, N. H., June 2, 1833.	.....	merchant.	1
Rochester, Charles Morgan.	cong.	.....	r.	.....	Bethel, July 30, 1818.	.....	gen'l dealer.	1
Royalton, William Goff.	meth.	.....	r.	.....	Royalton, May 28, 1818.	.....	merchant.	2

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Sharon, James Parker.	bapt.	r.	Sharon, Sept. 20, 1806.	farmer.	2
Springfield, James E. White.	no pf.	r.	Springfield, Jan. 17, 1829.	farmer.	2
Stockbridge, Nelson Gay.	univ.	r.	Stockbridge, Feb. 22, 1832.	manufacturer	4
Weathersfield, George Barrett.	cong.	r.	Bethel, June 17, 1823.	far & lum deal	1
Weston, Joseph C. Fenn.	cong.	r.	Weston, July 4, 1832.	farmer.	3
West Windsor, Eugene H. Spaulding.	univ.	r.	Weston, Mass., Oct. 2, 1838.	farmer.	2
Windsor, Jonathan B. Farnsworth.	cong.	r.	Woodstock, April 20, 1826.	attorney.	1
Woodstock, Lorenzo Richmond.	christ.	r.	Barnard, Aug. 16, 1806.	ins. agent.	3
Officers of the House.					
John Barden, Wells, Door-keeper.			Savoy, Mass., June 14, 1807.	farmer.	7
George E. Hyde, Chelsea, Assistant Door-keeper.			Chelsea, July 30, 1831.	general dealer.	1
George W. Grandey, Jr., Vergennes, Messenger.			Vergennes, March 13, 1857.	student.	3
Herbert S. Foster, Calais, Messenger.			Calais, Aug. 8, 1853.	student.	3
Fred K. Jones, Northfield, Messenger.			Northfield, Sept. 23, 1854.	student.	2
Morris D. Pollard, Windsor, Messenger.			Plymouth, Sept. 16, 1856.	student.	1

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*Occupation.*—Farmers, 139; Attorneys, 19; Merchants, 20; Manufacturers, 12; Physicians, 6; Students, 5; Clergymen, 4; Clerk, 1; Mechanics, 7; Lumber dealers, 8; Retired from business, 3; Tanners, 2; Iron founder, 1; Boot and shoe dealer, 1; Hotel keepers, 2; Engineers, 2; Railroad paymaster, 1; Bridge builders, 2; Carpenter and joiners, 2; County Clerk, 1; Printer, 1; Editor, 1; Silver plater, 1; General dealers, 2; Drover, 1; Road Master, 1; Superintendent Manufacturing Company, 1; Butchers, 2; Salesmen, 1; Livery keeper, 1; Cooper, 1; Painter, 1; Blacksmiths, 2; Insurance Agents, 2; Jeweller, 1; Stage proprietor, 1; Millwrights, 2; Millers, 2; Produce dealer, 1.

*Religious Preferences.*—Congregationalists, 57; No preference, 47; Methodists, 46; Baptists, 29; Universalists, 38; Liberal, 2; Episcopal, 10; Unitarian, 2; Christian, 1; Catholic, 1; Protestant, 1.

*Nativities.*—Vermont, 209; Massachusetts, 11; New Hampshire, 14; New York, 4; England, 3; Canada, 2; Connecticut, 2; Michigan, 1.

*Oldest members*, Joseph Underwood, of Hardwick, and Jabez W. Langdon, of New Haven, 78 years each. *Youngest member*, Channing Hazeltine, of Plainfield, 24 years.

*Greatest number of terms*, George W. Grandey, of Vergennes, 12.

One hundred and four are serving their first term.

Republicans, 210; Democrats, 25; Conservative, 1.

### RECAPITULATION OF THE SENATE.

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*Nativities*.—Vermont, 35; Massachusetts, 3; New Hampshire, 2.

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